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(Talagouga) (1)
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~~Septem~~ - (August)

Saturday 25th
Sabbath 26th
Monday 27th
Tuesday 28th
Wed'y - 29th
Thursday 30th
Friday 31st

A good assemblage, [illegible]; at Chapel on the 26th. On the 29th, sent the canoe, to Njomu & Yeña, to try to get thatch and bamboo. Agonjo stayed so late that he did not get back, in time for Prayer-meeting, & thus detained Ntlora, who was with him, from being back for [illegible] [illegible] with the meeting. I was annoyed at this; but more so, at Agonjo's clandestinely taking his palm-oil along with him, to [illegible]. I object to his mixing his Bible-work, & his selling for gain. On Thursday, I spoke to him about it, & his acknowledgments were very satisfactory. Have had a head ache for three days.

September

Saturday 1st
Sabbath 2nd
Monday 3rd
T 4th
W 5th
T 6th
F 7th
S 8th
Sabbath 9th
M 10th
11th

Have kept no record:- The river began very slowly to rise on the 5th;- stood stationary for a few days;- & then decided [illegible] on the 10th:- On Friday the 7th, [illegible]

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stopped, just at noon, in a small [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] the ~~Hess~~ [illegible]. He brought word that he had passed the "Gambia" aground, at Belambila, & subsequently had passed a canoe containing M. Gacon, who was on his way to me, & who wd. await a canoe from me. I sent a good canoe & crew, at 1.30 P.M. And, to my surprise, they went so rapidly, that they returned, at 5. P.M. of Sat. 8th, with M. Gacon, who has come to repair the "Nelly Howard". He brought a small mail (no newspapers). Letters from Mrs. Pratt (of May 5th & June 20th; from Will, June 28th, and July 11th; Mr. J. E. Robinson July 6th. And from Mrs. Reading, & from Mr. Good. A very unsatisfactory letter from [illegible] [illegible], gave me a sleepless night.

Singing duetts & trios with M. Gacon. He played on his flute, but I cd. not play with him; for, he plays only by ear, not by the notes. On Monday the 10th, M. Gacon began to fashion timbers, from the [illegible] sticks which I had prepared, for the "Nelly Howard." On the 11th, the anniversary of my anchoring at [illegible] [illegible] 11th, 1861; began to dig some

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logs, for the slide which I propose making, at the canoe-landing.

Sept. 12th Wed'y.
" 13th Thursday
" 14th Friday
" 15th Sat'y
" 16th Sabbath
" 17th Monday
" 18th Tuesday
" 19th Wed'y

On the 12th, sent off nurse Janie H., with the crew, to go home to visit her [illegible] till Sat., & the crew shd. return with her too. Mbora delayed the crew, by his visit at Walter H's, & the crew complained of him. On the 13th, Mbora showed a bad spirit, in objecting to go any more, on the town visiting, when there was secular business connected with it. The real animus was that he did not like having to aid in the paddling. So, I told him that I wd. not allow him to go at all. One of these days, the 14th (I think) in dragging logs for the slide, Abumba fell, was struck by the log, & so jarred that he had to be excused from work for 3 days.

On the 15th, sent to Yena, for Ompavo; the canoe returned early, bringing also nurse Janie H., whom Mary was very anxious to have come back.

Sabbath the 16th, was a pleasant day, except that

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I had a cold in the head & throat.

I think it was the 17th that sister Bella had some friction with nurse Janie H., about Mary's clothes. On the 18th, Mbora came to apologize for his language of last week; & I allowed him to go with the canoe on the 19th. After dusk of the 18th, 2 young men of Holt's, Thos. L. Beddoes & Frank Beaton, stopped, for the night, with their canoes & people, on their way to establish a factory at Asange. They brought a mail of newspapers, & letter from Mr. Reading of Aug. 27th; Mr Good Sept. 13th; copies of Assembly Journal from Dr. Gosman; & of "The Lord's Supper", from Dr. J. C. Lowrie.

On the 19th, the place very quiet, for a crew of 4 had gone with canoe, to Ajomo, for [illegible]; & another 4, with "Swan", taking Mr. Gacon, to visit Asange Post.

The 3 logs of the slide are all dragged, & the cross-pieces almost all spiked on. And the "[illegible]" repairs are (supposed) finished; & it is receiving its second coat of paint.

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Sept. 20th, Thursday
" 21st, Friday

In the evening (i.e. the 20th) the "Akele" passed up, stopping at their factory near here, for the night:- On the 21st, wrote letters, & sent them by the "Akele", wh. returned, from up river, at noon:- Have been building scaffolding, the last week, for repairing the roof of this house;- sent the workmen up on the roof, in the afternoon of 21st, & finished it.

Sept. 22d, Sat.y
" 23d, Sabbath
" 24th, Monday
" 25th, Tuesday
" 26th, Wed.y
" 27th, Thursday
" 28th, Friday

Sent to ~~Akele~~ Asanga factories, for goods: also, to get a little water-cress, for propagation at Talaguga:- No strangers present on Sabbath:- On the 24th, finishing the repairs & painting of the "Nelly-Howard", wh. Mr. Gacon has given a new life to, as it now looks very little:- Tore down the boat-shed, built temporarily a year ago near the chapel, & roofed, with its ompars, the bath-house, in the garden, for cook's house. Finished ~~the~~ job there, the 26th. Getting ready for the journey to

[On journey]

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Kângwe :- On the 26th, loaded up & started, at 8.30 A.M., with 20 souls, all told in the "Nelly Howard", closely crowded with luggage.

In 2 hours, stopped for dinner, at Jane H.'s brother's trading-house, at Njǒmo, where she & ~~little~~ her child Iga were to stay till we returned from Kângwe; had, just before this, stopped at Njĕgâ's, to inquire about my bamboo trunk, to have it ready on my return :- Stopped a few minutes, at Njambe's at Bitagâ Lagoon, & found my ~~bamboo~~ thatch-trunk ready; & he offered Mary a little monkey :- On to the Bakuna village, a very large one of Njâgu & Mama: a woman gave Mary sugar-cane: another (pregnant) woman wanted to gaze on Mary, that her child might be like her: On to Akuri's village :- On to village of Azâ II Njĕgâ :- crossed to Anwe's town, - a very rude people, whom I had to rebuke, in order to get a house to sleep in, & chair to sit on: Had headache, & slept very little at night.

On the 27th, early, on, to Belambila, got Avogado pears :- on, to attempt a visit Mr. Whitaker, at Erlanger Factory, boat the river was shallow, & I gave up the attempt. (Had eaten dinner in the forest.) Passed the "Gambia", opposite Eslanda Factory:- The river had risen distinctly, & the boat touched ground very little:- At Kângwe, by 4. P.M.- Met by Mons. Carmien, (teacher,) Bertie Good glad to meet Mary. (Mons. Lesage, (teacher). I had such sleepy eyes, tht I went to bed early at night. On Friday 28th, rested at Kângwe, with a headache, wh. passed off, at noon, in a walk to the Hill, to see Mr. Good's new house on the hill-top. Preached in the afternoon. Sat up late at night, talking on native-marriage questi. with Mr. Good.

Saturday, Sept 29th. Went to the Trading-Houses of Wöermann, & Hatton & Cookson:- Got a bill of goods, at each place:- Came back late to Kângwe:- Stayed with Mary, from meeting: she had run against a chair on the porch, & cut her lip: she cried herself to sleep, on my lap:- After meeting was over, paid my people their months' wages; & (assistant nurses) Azizie & Nani their year's due:- Mary not well at night

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Sabbath, Sept. 30th. Preached, in the morning, but left church immediately, & did not stay to the Table, but went to call sister Bella, & I stayed with Mary all the rest of the day, in the house: Was amazed to hear that the ch. Session had admitted Mamandi.

Monday Oct. 1st
Tuesday " 2d
Wed'y " 3d

On Monday Mary was better, but still weak:- I went to Hatt's factory, at Inanga, to see about buying their deserted trading-house up river, for Agonjo's proposed scripture-reading work: In the afternoon, went to the Hill, to see the new house of Mr. Good, with Mary, sister Bella, & Mrs Good:- Got a young bread-fruit tree, to transplant to Talaguga. On the 2d, I had a bad headache, & c'd. do nothing all day. Mary was well again, except a cold in the head & cough:- A note came from Mr. Lutz delaying the starting of the "Akĕle" up river, till Thursday morning. To day 3d, Mary was [illegible] [illegible] & playing; except that [illegible] [illegible] a red, [illegible] [illegible] eruption, wh. I supposed was the outcome of [illegible] [illegible].

[**Kângwe**] (Oct. 1888) (9) [**journey**]

Thursday Oct. 4
Friday " 5th

On the afternoon of Wed. 3, had packed the largest & heaviest of our luggage, & sent it, in boat with Mr. Good, around to Mr. Letz, in advance of the journey of the Itinerary :- Oct. 4. Did not go to bed, on the night of Wed., but dozed off & on, till 3.30 A. M. the 4th; wakened the crew; sent down the luggage at 4. A. M.: Mrs. N. prepared some tea; wakened & dressed Mary; & was off from the landing, at 5. A. M. Azizia & her newly-married husband, Ogandaga, & a new workman, Avokiunda, with Ngwandïnya as passenger, made 8 paddles. Reached Wäërwané, at exactly 6. A. M.; &, 20 minutes later, the "Akële" started with us, & the boat in tow: In passing Holt's factory, Carruthers sent off a letter, giving the deserted factory-house, wh. I had asked to buy. Slow progress, with the surf-boat loaded with passengers. Did not get aground, but lost time in tortuous channels. At first, did not expect to reach Talaguga to-day; & afterwards receded in thought to Njoñi;

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Rere-volo, Nguilaka, & finally, only by running after dark, reached Azâ's village, where [illegible] to [illegible]. When we left Kângwe, in the morning, Mary was well; & on the steamer, ate well, & slept on rugs on the deck, a long while in the afternoon. When she woke, she vomited, & was purged of a clay-colored mucous liquid. Was startled at the sudden change: think [illegible] due to a recession of Tuesday's eruption [illegible], at the time, thought that a banana & asparagus had disagreed with her. All went ashore: had meeting with the people: told them the [illegible] was [illegible], & that I wd. send a teacher to them: A miserable night with Mary, who plead for water to drink, & I wd. give her but very little: very painful to resist ~~them~~ her pleadings. On Friday 5th, up, by 5 A.M., & off on the "Akele", by 6 A.M. Mary's nausea diminishing, but her [illegible] bad. Gave her, little sips of lemonade, - little sips of water, - some spts. of nitre, & rice-water. Anxious for steamer to get on. Angwe had come [illegible] during the night. Passed

Akuri's village early,— he was not in sight or waiting for us. Report that two villages were in ambush, for my boat, in revenge for the death of 3 of their people, drowned in Kerraoul's service:— Stopped at Njâgu's town for him & Mane:— Stopped at Rere-volo, for wood:— Stopped at Njôma, for nurse Jane H. & Iga:— Mary distressed [illegible], wh. I feared to give, till we sh'd reach Talaguga. Jane H. [illegible] aroused her. Finally, [illegible] by 3.15 P.M., she revived immediately: A hot bath benefited her, & she slept tolerably [illegible], I sat up late, making up prescriptions, from "Condie on the Children's Diseases."

Saturday Oct 6th. Mary rose with energy, but soon fell back [illegible]; but, somewhat better in all respects:— Sent canoe & crew, to Njôma, for bamboo: Others, at the completing of the house for Azize:— A quiet day. Putting away the luggage & goods of the journey:— Rapantyambi's wife came, with [illegible] for medicine: The "Akele" passed down, but I had no letters [illegible]. Mary's diarrhoea

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less, & she willing to ride slowly in the carriage, in my room & the [illegible].

Sabbath Oct. 7th
Monday " 8th
Tuesday " 9th

There was a large audience, in the Chapel, on Sabbath. Jane H. & Sister Bella stayed all day with Mary, who was in frequent dozing; w[oul]d eat nothing; & her fecal passages were still [illegible] & too thin, though very much improved in bilious color, f[rom] the calomel, ipecac, acetate of lead & hyoscyamus (see page 216 of Condie) given every three hours. For food, there was rice-water, [illegible] etc. (in her cough medicine). Her cough was [illegible] but frequent. In the evening [illegible] Bella ~~was~~ so unjust to me & Jane H., that I c[oul]d not tranquilize my mind, in conducting worship; & having begun the service, left it for Mbora to conclude, & retired to take charge of Mary myself; [illegible] was vexed & left me & Jane H.; & we did not see her again that night. Had a long talk, till long after midnight, with Jane.

On Monday 8th. There was a heavy rain last night. The Rainy Season had begun with thunder & lightning on Friday night. Fair were here, staying on their journey, over night: Mary better, but still with no appetite:- ~~Sent~~ Stayed with Mary most of the day: gave her some quinine, & in the evening, it eructated, but she bravely swallowed it down, again & kept it all:- On ~~Thurs~~ Tuesday 9th, put up the "Nelly Howard":- Mary rose in the morning suddenly better, talking & trying to play; & this energy she kept up all day. Had a very serious talk with Jane H. in the evening.

Wed.y Oct. 10th Sent the canoe & crew, to Yeña, for bamboo:- Jane H. was [illegible] [illegible] something; but, was relieved, by a long conversation with me. A quiet day. The "[illegible]" [illegible] up river. At night the "Akële" passed up. Rain now [illegible]. Anniversary of my marriage with Miss Foster.

Thursday Oct. 11th
Friday " 12th
Sat.y " 13th
Sabbath " 14th
} In the house a good deal with Mary, who has not yet entirely recovered from the effects of her disease:- Overseeing the completion of the house [illegible]: On

Saturday, sent the crew, to Yeña, for bamboos & ompavo:- On Sabbath, rain, but there was a good audience:- The French govt. native agent, Ongâyi, at meeting, with his little sister, who is Jane H's cousin & who remained the rest of the day.

Monday Oct 15: Angbe's relatives came yesterday, to visit him at noon. And, at 5. P. M., friend Azyĕgâ came, to beg for a canoe, to complete a journey with sick woman of his company. To-day, I reluctantly loaned him a canoe, taking his gun & fetish as hostages: Ongâyi came, on his way back to Asange, & got of me flower seeds, seeds, & young trees. He told me of his rescuing a Fañ, in the near Bindubi village, who was to be sold as meat to the Fañ near ~~[illegible]~~ me, ~~for~~ because of his persistent pollution of women:- Felt feverish, in the afternoon & evening; [illegible] to bed early.

Tuesday Oct. 16: Slept well last night. Azyĕgâ's house is completed, & I set the young men at various works, & did

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a little carpenter work, at the Prayer-Room. The "Dualla" passed up to day: To day, for the first time, complaint was made to me, against Mary, that she had "tâwâ-d" (insulted) any one: the complainant was little Ndzâ; & the other children were indignant at him, for complaining against a little child who meant no evil.

Journey with Agonjo to the Mâgenĭnĕ Fañ town.

Wedy Oct. 17th
Thu " 18
Friday " 19

By 8. A. M. of the 17th, [illegible] & canoe, promised by Ongâŋ, had not come. Got out 2 [illegible], with Abumba & 3 others in one, & Agonjo with 4 others in the other. Started, at 9.30 A. M. The "Akele" passed [illegible] just before. I was sleepy, having sat up, to read the mail, which came on afternoon of 16th, with 9 Boxes of tools, & 5 other Boxes: a very unsatisfactory consignment, because there was no way-bill, & I could not verify the boxes. [illegible] lead [illegible]

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was handed from the "Akele", as it passed down, having been forgotten on Tuesday :-

Stopped at Yena, to inquire about the bamboo & ompavo still due me. Atakijani, the head-man, is away, in a war with some interior Bakele :- Ate at Yena :- On to Bitiggi, to arrange about the ompavo which Njumbe had made for me. Heard of the death of his little daughter :- On, just past Ngilaka, to Ajanni's town: walked through the village: 2 new young men engaged to come & work. Parted company with Abumba & his canoe, who were to take Angave to his village, hold meeting, & join us next morning. - Stopped at Akiwi's; he was absent in a bush-village: On to Agonjo's mission house; the stolen door returned: calculations of building material needed for repairs: Evening meeting; I was sleepy; & Agonjo held another after I went to bed. I heard the interested inquiries of some men talking with him: Could not sleep, for memory of many pitious cries for water, 2 weeks ago, on the same spot. On the 18th, woke early, &, after prayers, & back up river. Met the "Dualla" coming down. At Njāgu's village, was joined by Alumbi: the 2 lads came with 2 others, young men.— On to Nkogo, where I got a fire-brand, as I had no matches for making a fire.

Ate in the forest shelter [illegible]. On to Bilāga, at 2.30. P.M. Began to count out 200 [illegible], for Alumbi to take to Igalagaga, & 300 for my canoe to take, to an adjacent Gorée man, to keep for me, till I was ready to take it to Agonjo's house.— Serious talk with Njambi, about his drinking &c. Placed the 300 at the Gorée's.— Njambi gave me a monkey, for Mary.

On, to Njomu, & stayed at nurse Janie's brother's, Antyuwa. Slept in his neatly kept room of his dead wife. Left 50 bunches there, wh. I had bought from Njambi. Did not sleep well,— was thinking of many things. On the 19th rose early, took no tea, & started at once after prayers. The men were vexed that I gave the best paddlers to the other canoe, & they pulled but slowly, for an hour, & then got over their spite. Overtook Abumba, & passed him at Fanjâla. I pulled a paddle, for 1/4 of a mile. Moved rapidly, & were at Talaguga by 10.30. A.M. Mary in ecstacies at our coming. Rejoicing over Njambie's [illegible]. [illegible] gave his welcome. Spent afternoon, in opening the boxes of tools, that had come last Tuesday. Mary in good health. The Gaboon man at Butâga sold me a large plantain, for which I am to send him soap & Santonine. . . .

Saturday Oct. 25: Put up, into their houses the two canoes of yesterday's journey:- The big canoe of the Government, wh. Ongây had promised to have ready for me by 8. A.M. of Wed'y, did not come till noon of ~~the~~ that day, after I was gone, & was not brought here but had been left at Mpaga's, across the river. The canoe was brought here, by the Fañ man, to whom it had been sent from Asange; & I immediately sent it to Asange, by Ntôna & crew of 4, & a small canoe inside, with wh. they should return; nurse Jane H. fixed a strong band, with wh. to tie the monkey to the little chain I had provided. Repairing at the Nkâmi-house roof; Making out the prices of the goods wh. came last Tuesday.

Sabbath. Oct. 21. Fitful weather today; misty, showery, light-lit sunny [illegible], & dark clouds, but no rain. Some of the strangers at church brought word that one of Mpaga's ~~boys~~ men had been killed, on a [illegible] journey, & eaten by Fañ; excitement among my people. After dinner, showing Jane H. my photos of my & Mrs Nassau's relatives. Was sleepy, in Sab. sch., from having sat up late reading again the mail that came last Tuesday. Besides the local letters, were, July 14; from [illegible] Charley; [illegible] [illegible]; Philadelphia; Borg

[illegible]

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F. M. S., July 17th; Jeanie Gosman July 17th; from Son Will, Aug 1st; from Minnie Todd Aug. 6th; Dr. Gosman, Aug 6th; Jenny Gosman Aug. 17th.

Monday Oct. 22nd. The "Jacques-Louis" went down river: from upstream, the little "Inenga". About 1. P.M., the "Akele" passed up; & about 4.30, the "Gambia". A letter from Mr. Gard, & several little things, Vaseline & Velvet binding, & a folding chair. I bought a quantity of iguma fruit, this morning.

Agonjo preparing to leave, to join his wife, & be ready for their Bible-reading work. Ndina also going away, tomorrow, on a Hatton boat down river. Have written [illegible] letters to-day, but am too tired to write the letter to Jenny Gosman, which I desired to.

Tuesday Oct. 23rd
Wedy " 24th
Thursday " 25th } At 7. A.M. the "[illegible]" came down river, & Agonjo & Mbora went on her.

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At noon, the "Gambia" came down, & sent local letters, by other steamer; viz, read no foreign [illegible] ready; & wrote, on Tuesday & Wednesday, a long letter to Jerry Gorman, hoping the "[illegible]" will come to take it; but am disappointed to-day (25th) that it has not come yet: On Sunday, about 5 P.M., the C.S.O. man, with whom I left my companion at Bitagã, came here for some medicine, & said something about difficulty in his employment with the Govt., & changes of subordinates to different places. But I did not understand that he was changed to be near me here. Was anxious when I heard it, about who was left in charge of my companion. On Wednesday, sent the authorities down river, & told them to inquire about the companion; they returned with satisfactory reply.

The stone almost covered with the rising river: On Thursday, I very depressed all day: almost all [illegible] workmen were very unsatisfactory, especially Mankauni, Ar-Kunda, & Gandlega. Am disappointed also in [illegible] "Dame". H. I seem not to understand him.

Friday 26th
Saturday 27th
Sabbath 28th
Monday 29th
Tuesday 30th

I think it was Sat. ~~[illegible]~~ the "Jeanne Marie" went up river; On Sabbath, the "Akélé" passed up. Mary was not well all-day.

On Monday, the "Akélé" came down; anchored, & it's boat [illegible] brought ashore 2 big Cases of ~~Cotton~~ Cloth, & 1 missing case of Tools, & 1000 dried fish, & a mail. It had only 1 foreign letter, from sister Emma. In the afternoon, [illegible] the boxes of cloth, & arranged them in the store room: The "Ovino" passed up:- [illegible] & Bigwadu (Mpongwe traders) came for medicine; the former for a felon on his finger, & the latter with a toothache:- On the 30th, leaving [illegible] at [illegible] of Janie H's room up stairs, went, in the "Swan", with her & [illegible], to have her [illegible] her ~~[illegible]~~ under Ougâny, at Asange Island. Took Mary along, & she behaved nicely. Was 3 hours & 1/4 on the way; [illegible] strong & [illegible]. At Asange; the three factories very busy buying ivory & rubber, from the crews of the Government canoes just arrived from the interior. Mr.

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Mr Taggart (in Mr. Moore's place) gave me a kitten, which she had asked him for, while I was absent in Carruthers' store. A pleasant ride down river with [illegible], left 1.30 P.M. The "Cirio" passed out at 5 P.M.

Wed. Oct 31st }
Thursday Nov. 1st }
Friday " 2d }
Sat. " 3d }
Sabbath " 4th }

On Wed. afternoon, [illegible] came & crew, to [illegible], to bring back Jane H. They returned at 4.30, P.M. [illegible] he acted unpleasantly, in unjustly giving the blame for their late arrival to Jane, saying that she was not ready at the appointed time. On the 1st Nov., paid the employees' wages, at noon: they were glad to see the new goods. On the 2d, measuring and cutting boards, to make a clothes-press in my room: & on the 3d, began to erect it. Jane H. cleaned [illegible] [illegible] thoroughly, on the 2d, & re-arranged the carpets.

[illegible] & other Galwas came selling fish to the Fair, & sold some fowls to me. On Sabbath, Râpâutyaûntâ came to church. Heard of the Fan robbing his house. And, in the afternoon, Igamba told me of the Fan stealing his canoe. A heavy rain, in afternoon, just after Sab. School.

Monday Jan. 5
Tuesday " 6
Wedy " 7
Thursday " 8

On the 5th, Igamba came, to sell some more chickens, & to get medicine for himself. Wrote a letter to Mr. Good by him, & sent, with it, a letter for Don Charles & a tea-spoon for his son. Then, at 10. A. M., I laid down, sick with fever. Jeanie H. was very attentive, in attending to my wants. The difficulties between her & sister Bella increasing. I could not attend to evening prayers, at night.

On the 6th, was no worse, but attended to morning prayers; & sat, while Nkâmi worked at the cupboard which I was having built in my room. The medicine of last night operated well; & I felt well, but weak.

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On the 7th, sent the canoe, & Iṅina, to warn the Akele man whom I had trusted, to have his bamboo ready, for me, in men, to Agonjo's house, next week. Sent back, to Ayilino, the 2 extra cutlasses he had sent, over price of the paper I had sent him on Sat. previous.

On Thursday, Monkâmi again at work: I had sent him to his house, on afternoon of 7th, for disrespect. Finished the cupboard, & finished painting it. & fixing a small set of shelves, & a little table, for Iṅina's room up stairs: Sister Bella, was sick for 2 days: River now near the path in front of the house: The "Gambia" went up river yesterday; &, in coming down to day, it stopped, to give me 2 bags, ~~[illegible]~~ salt, from Mr. McTaggart, at Asange. Also, the mulatto, Kidney, came here to get a charcoal-iron, for Mr. Jones at Aguilaki.

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Friday Nov. 9th
Sat " 10th

On the 9th; all 3 occupants of the Nkâmi house absent, by sickness or dismissal to their homes:- Azokunda, was detected in smoking at his work:- All at work, in afternoon. Very warm. The little "Inenga" passed up, on the 10th:- The water has gone down a foot, in the night: Sent thanks to Njoli, for the "Gambia's" 2 Bags of salt:- The cupboard in my room completed, & in use; also that little cupboard up stairs in Jane H's room.

Sabbath Nov. 11th
Monday " 12th
Tuesday " 13th
Wedy " 14th
Thursday " 15th
Friday " 16th

On the 12th, preparing 2 canoes & their crews, for the journey, to put the new Scripture-Reading house in order. Waited until the "Akele", wh. had passed up on Sabbath, sh.d go down again; perhaps she had something for me. She came down, about 9. A.M.; nothing for me. Started with the 2 crews: forgot my little clock: turned back, to get it, just after starting. Stopped at Walker's, to inquire of the Gorée man there, about my thatch left in his care at Bitâgâ. Turned back again, at the thought of ~~A~~ sending back to Sàka, at the house, an extra one of my crew, as she was left with a weak company; but, changed my mind, & turned down again. Stopped to get fire-wood, in the p.m. Ate at Yĕna, & took 50 of the bamboo ~~[illegible]~~ were due me there. Sent Abumba & his crew across river, to Antyuwa's, to get the 50 bamboo I had left there. As we passed Bitâgâ, heard ~~[illegible]~~ Njâgu's father was dead. Near Nguilaka, changed crew, because my Fan feared the Benijigĕ; & stopped to arrange with Mr. Jones, for Agonjo to get his pay there.

At Mâgenĕn, by 5. P.M. Felt very lonely & sad at night, in the memory of that dreadful night there with Mary's diarrhea, 2 months ago. Before daylight of the 13th; started Abumba & his Galwa crew back to Bitâgâ, to get the thatch left there. Allowed Anguwe to cross the river, to his town. (Had let the other 4 Fan off near Nguilaka, on Monday, for 2 days' absence.) On the way down, on Monday, had heard that [illegible] had arrived; but it was a mistake. A very rainy day. Heard Agonjo was at Nkomi. Four steamers passed; the "Basilic", 2 gun boats, & the "Jean-Louise". Agonjo arrived, abt 4. P.M.; & Abumba surprised me by his early arrival, at 5. P.M. Glad welcomes all around. All this day, I had been busy with Monkâmi, putting in the door frames & doors of the house, & repairing the broken bamboos. Hurt my knee. On the 14th, sent Abumba & his crew, across river, to cut sticks, to lay on the roof. He returned at noon. Angwet had returned, early in the morning. Busy all day tying thatch around the sides of the house, & repairing the roof. Was very much annoyed at Agonjo's having brought a crew of people with fish for sale to the Fañ, & they were occupying the mission house for their trade. By evening, the annoyance became so great that I rebuked Agonjo publicly, & ordered the fish company to leave the house. Went to bed very much depressed.

By 6.30. A.M. of the 15th started; left the canoe "Wichulla" with Agonjo, for his use, but went in it with him to Mr

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Jones', to get him part of other supplies; Sent Abumba, with my canoe, to take on the 4 Fans near Nguilaka (one, Nččě, had left, but another came in his place).
Note (On Wed. 4 P.M., while at Agonjo's, the "Gambia" had passed up.).
Met again my canoe, with the united crews; said good bye to Agonjo, near Mr Jones', & sat again in my own canoe. Started again, about 8. A. M.: the canoe, with 11 paddles, went very rapidly; I have never traveled so fast, before, by paddle or oar. At 12 M., stopped, in the forest, beyond 'Kere-volo' Beach, to eat. At 4. P.M., passed Yena. At 5. P. M. Pokonjonga, - met the 4 [illegible] of [illegible]. At 6. P. M., passed the "Gambia", near [illegible]. Sunset on the way; the crew paddling well in the moon light. Reached Tallaguga at 7. P. M. Mary's frantic welcome of joy.

[Talaguga] (Nov. 1888) (30)

Satdy, Nov. 17th
Sabbath " 18th
Monday " 19th
Tuesday " 20
Wed.dy " 21st

Sent the canoe up river itinerating, as usual, on Satdy. A good audience, on Sabbath morning. Sabbath evening, at 7. o'clk, the "Dusilla" anchored near the house. A Mpongwe woman came ashore, to spend the night with Janie. On Monday, I was up, at 3. A.M., waited to see any life on the "Dusilla": went off, at 5. A.M., & brought ashore 4 Bags Rice, 8 Boxes, 20 bread, & a [illegible] mail, Letters from Dr. Gorman, & Jenny Gorman. Opened the boxes, & was rejoiced to find the long-expected shoes for Mary, the underskirts, & the Wagon, & other playthings. Was not well, in the afternoon. Sister Bella sick, on Tuesday:- Bakuma people came, to sell plantains; and assistant cook Ajâgu went with them, to see some sick relatives:- [illegible] and "Kasâ's" mother were trespassing on my new clearing, and I drove

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them off; &, in the afternoon, I cut a plantain, wh. I feared they would come to steal:- Setting up the wire-fence along the river side is now clearing;

On Wed'y, began to work at laying the boards on the unfinished part of the prayer-Room. But my knee (where I fell in the hole in Agonjé's house last week) is now quite painful, &, in afternoon, I poulticed it. The duck, had come off, on Sabbath, with 6 little ones; one of them died on [illegible]. Was not well on Wed'y night. Sister Bella also still sick.

Thursday Nov. 22d
Friday " 23d
Sat'y " 24th
Sabbath " 25th
Monday " 26th
Tuesday " 27th
Wed'y " 28th
Thursday " 29th
Friday " 30
Sat'y Dec. 1st
Sabbath " 2d
Monday " 3d

Confined in the house on the 22d, poulticing the "itunga", on my knee, wh. was quite painful.

On Friday 23d, "[illegible]" came, bringing 60 bunches of plantains, from Mrs. Lotz, on current acct. They were in an over-ripe condition, & many of them had to be thrown away.

On the 24th, Inbala returned, bringing with him two young men, one of whom I took, but the other one (Adâmbe) I accepted only for service with Agonjo. On Sabbath 25th, I began to have service, on the front porch; but a storm came up, & we moved into the house, & held meeting there. Two Fañ boys, Bakara & Biduli, came drenched with rain to church. But, in the afternoon, while sister Bella was holding Sab. Sch. in the afternoon, they broke into the Nkâmi house, & stole Mbaka's fish. During all the remainder of that week I was confined almost to my chair. But I was more free from pain, after having my bowels opened on the ~~23~~ 24th

Sat., had been a very unhappy afternoon & evening; & Sabbath I had a headache. On Thursday 29th, the swelling began to discharge. On Sat. Dec 1st, I sat in the store, &, with the aid of [illegible] to hand things, & Jamie to measure off yards, I paid the months' wages.

"Effie" (Ovanga), ~~[illegible]~~ Ongâñy's wife, who is visiting at Râpântyâmbis, came to sew on Jamie's machine, expecting to stay over Sabbath; but, in the evening, she changed her mind, & asked me to send her back to R.'s.

On Sabbath Dec 2d, I was much easier in my body, with good appetite, & free from pain, as long as I sat still. A clear day. Sister Bella conducted ~~S.~~ Sab. Sch., in the Chapel, in the afternoon. On Monday, the 3d, the "Gambia" came, bringing [illegible].

Tuesday Dec. 4th
Wed. " 5th
Thursday " 6th
Friday " 7th
Sat. " 8th
Sabbath " 9th
Monday " 10th
Tuesday " 11th
Wed. " 12th
Thursday " 13th
Friday " 14th

Have made no entries all these days, as I was still poulticing my knee. The boil discharged well, & the healing process began sooner than I had ever hoped for. On Sabbath 9th, I was able to limp, with aid of a staff, to church & Sab. Sch.

On the 10th, I resumed work, in the Prayer Room, sitting in a chair, & directing the work of putting up doors. On the 11th, Sister Bella, with a crew of 7, went in her boat, to itinerate to Ngonjo, & take Ndâmbe to him, also some building materials.

On the 12th. Bilâgâ & a young Galwa girl fled here, from [illegible] village, in fear of a fight there, in wh. an Akele man was killed, & 2 others wounded; this was before morning prayers; and, just after prayers, came 2 little boys also in fear. The 2 girls stayed all day & the next night. In the evening about 8. o'clk, the "Jean-Louis" passed, leaving off a small mail. It had no foreign letter for me. I think it was on the 13th ~~[illegible]~~ three young men who had gone up, the evening before, with a white man to Asange, stopped on their way down, & gave me a letter purporting to be from Agonjo, telling of troubles the people of the village were making him. (It afterward proved to be a forgery; but, it disconcerted me, even though, according to my habit, I did not fully believe the report, in its first coming). On Friday 14th, at about 11. A.M., Sister returned! There had been no trouble at Agonjo. In the afternoon, came a canoe of Galwas, with plantains to sell. I bought 40.

My knee allows me to walk without pain!

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[Talaguga] (Dec. 1888)

Saturday Dec. 15th: Packed a box of clothing of Mrs Nassau's, to send to Miss Todd. Making bed-gowns, for the expected native visitors to Presbytery in January next.

Sabbath Dec. 16th
Monday " 17th
Tuesday " 18th
Wed'y " 19th
Thursday " 20th

In the afternoon Sab. Sch., gave the Superintendence to Mbora:- On the A.M. of the 18th, completed entire [illegible] work in the Prayer-Room: & put all hands at the removal of the goat-house:- On the 19th, took all hands, even Ntonde, & [illegible] [illegible] walls of the goat-house removed bodily. The "Ekele" passed up, & left off 20 bunches plantains, from Mr. Lutz: it passed down in the afternoon:- On Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Mooney had stopped to supper, on his way up from ~~[illegible]~~ Râpântyâmbâé, whom he was removing, for stealing his goods at his little sub-factory:- An unpleasant discussion on Wed'y evening, between [illegible] Bills & Janie Harrington.

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Friday 21st
Sat'y 22d
Sabbath 23d
Monday 24th
Tuesday 25th
Wed'y 26th
Thursday 27th
Friday 28th
Sat'y 29th

Finished up on Friday all I had planned to do this week.
On the 22d, went to Asange, & settled year's acct with Mr. Mooney. Râpântyâmi's theft with Mr. Mooney; & damaging letters of Mbolu; Made a little table, for the Prayer-Room, after I returned from Asange. Felt elated with the success of the work.
On the 24th, took acct. of stock in my store-room, with Akumba & Anbona as aids. A heavy rain at night. On the 25th, added up accts.
On the 26th, in afternoon, excursion to Mary Ozĕgĕ, & allowed her to bathe, to her full delight in the river: had gathered my things for Kângwe journey on Wed'y morning.
(Journey) On Thursday noon, I started down river. At Agonjo's, by 5. P.M. Unpleasant talk with the Fañ. Lonely thoughts, on the way down river. On the 28th, off at 6. A.M. Dinner, in the forest, of mince pie, onion, & pine-apple. At Kângwe, by 2. P.M. Mrs. Gacon's room not quite ready for me. Miss Harding's surprise that I had not brought sister with me.

On the 29th, went to the factories, and settled my accts with Mr. Letz, & at H. & C.'s. Mr. Caruthers ill, at Kângwe. In afternoon, "Akele" came: Mr Caruthers to go to Manji

Sabbath Dec. 30th
Monday " 31st
Tuesday Jan 1st 1889
Wed. " 2d
Thursday " 3d
Friday " 4th
Sat. " 5th
Sabbath " 6th
Monday " 7th

Raining heavily early in morning of the 30th; At 8. A. M. "Akele" came, & Mr. Caruthers was carried on board, in a cot: a sad sight, as I feared he wd. not recover:- Conducted the day's services, in Mr. Good's absence (he went to take care of Mr. Caruthers). Baptized 8 persons:- Miss Harding's disorderly proceedings, after church, in distributing picture-cards in the building, & creating a noisy crowd:- On A. M. of 31st, settled with Agonjo, the accts wh. he had disputed on Sat.; almost on the point of a break with him, about wages &c.; but he receded from his demand that I should provide lights:- Boxing palm oil, & arranging food &c, for journey next day:- In afternoon, went on the Hill, & saw Mr. Good's new house: and expected to go on to a Fan town, & see Mr Good's [illegible] but head of the man had been removed, to a more distant village; & I did not go: Renjogo arrived, with a new man, [illegible], in a canoe of people with fish, who were going up river, to sell to the Fan.

Early on the 1st of Jan'y, my crew getting the 2 canoes ready: Mbâla & Ojandega had arrived, during the night, with Mbala's wife, Mwanyemo: Started at 8. A.M., with 2 canoes & 11 people; & the fish canoe kept company with us:- Ate, at the head of Nkâmjwè ("Walker's") island, opposite Ngunyĕ mouth: Renjogo's (Mbala's) canoe had fallen behind, & did not overtake us, to eat with us: Fine progress all afternoon:- [illegible] fear of [illegible] people at "Pass-boat" village:- Stopped, for the night, with all 3 canoes, at [illegible] rungahalia's, opposite head of Penge-[illegible] (Goree island). Early on 2d, started all together: fine progress, Stopped, in the forest, at a Fan landing [illegible], above [illegible], for dinner, with all 3 canoes: the trader's canoe, in fear of [illegible] station, joined my company, & passed the village under my protection: Stopped there, to get Njega & Ndzâ; they came willingly: Passed a rapidly, all afternoon, &, at 6. P.M., [illegible] for the night, at Kerowolo! Never had made so rapid a journey; a usual 3 days' distance accomplished in 2.

Early on the 3d, started, & passed rapidly! Stopped, in forest, beyond [illegible], at 9. a.m., to eat. Stayed there 2 hours. Ntyala's canoe caught us, only 1/4 hour before we left. Pushed on [illegible] them; &, going rapidly, reached Talaguga at 2.30 p.m. Welcomed by many's [illegible] joy.

Ntyala's canoe came at 5.30! He [illegible] to Kenjogo, a town, his load of dried fish for sale to Fang, on my premises.

On Friday 4th, paid wages; and started the new people at their work; telling and hearing news, to & from Sister Bella.

On Sat. 5th, sent canoe & crew, to [illegible] H., to [illegible], to [illegible]. Had had a serious talk with [illegible], [illegible] afternoon; & he would not go on his usual [illegible] to [illegible], till he had had another talk with me. As I did not delay the canoe, he did not go. He talked many unsatisfactory things, & decided to leave Talaguga after [illegible] of Presbytery in [illegible].

[Talaguga] Jan. 1889 (49)

5.30 P.M. Came [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was letting he was down [illegible] [illegible] Ka: "Duala" passed up.

On Sabbath 6th, fifty people [illegible] church. Ntâma did not assist me in the services: the "Oviao" passed up; & "Duala" [illegible] [illegible] report of the death of Mr. Carruthers.

On the 7th, busy at fixing up a variety of small conveniences, for the coming of [illegible], expected this week on the "Falaba"; the "Oviao" passed down. Sent a messenger to Asange, to tell about Mr Carruthers' death at Manji-O[illegible] (Cape Lopez).

Tuesday Jan 8th } These 2 days, like the 7th,
Wedy 9th } were cold & rainy. The new workmen work rapidly and well. Many jobs of clearing & fitting. Many little improvements, like smoothing paths, & rooting up stumps, which I have wanted to attend to, for many months, & had not time hitherto: Angwe's people came for him, at noon of 8th; & having refused, left; but returned at night, & took him away. On the 9th, bought plantains in the A.M., from Fang, & in the P.M., from Inenga people: Today's thought: a [illegible] my sore leg & breast with boils.

Thursday Jan. 10th
Friday " 11th
Satur " 12th
Sabbath " 13th
Monday " 14th

Beginning to look for the coming of "Falaba", on the 10th. Everything ready and finished, for the expected visit, on the 11th; but, was glad the steamer did not come; for, I had to lie on my back, with a poultice on each nipple, where boils had come. Never knew an inflamed breast was so painful: [illegible]: was afraid the "Falaba" would come on the 12th, while yet I was down with my boils. About 7.30. P. M., the "Oka" passed, &, in inquiring, informed us that the "Falaba" was not yet arrived at Lambarene. On the 13th, at noon, the "Dualla" came, & put off our mail, to "Falaba". Mail was, for me, [illegible]; [illegible] for Mrs. [illegible], from little Mary King of Barnegat N.J.; letters: from son Will, Sept. 12th; Oct. 29th; [illegible]; Jenny Gosman Oct. 17th; Nov. 15th; (Mrs Patten (& son Charley, Sept. 14th)); (Mrs Robinson Freehold, N.J. Oct. 21st; Dr. Gosman, Nov. 16th. Letters from Mrs Ogden, Mr Good, Mr Reading.

On Monday, the "[illegible]" & "[illegible]" [illegible]: my boils requiring me to lie on my back. Read letters and papers, with news of President Harrison's election.

[Talagouga] (Jan'y 1889) (42)

Tuesday Jan'y 15th
Wed: ,, 16th
Thursday ,, 17th
Friday ,, 18th
Saturday ,, 19th
Sabbath ,, 20th

still on my back, with poultices on my two breasts: thinking the "Falaba" will come on the 17th: — Doing some additional jobs to fill up the time till "Falaba" comes: On the 17th, thinking the "Falaba" would certainly come by the 20th: — By the 18th, my boils were so much better, I began to pack a box of [illegible] for America. (Had made & painted a set of corner shelves in the Dining-Room.): — During these days, the "Oka" came again, &, in passing, gave the news that the "Falaba" was not yet arrived at [illegible]! Have now no definite expectations; think there must have been an accident somewhere: — The premises are all in fine order, for tha cleaned, & [illegible]: but, when will the steamer come? And what shall we do for Presbytery & Mission?

Monday, Jan'y 21st
Tuesday, ,, 22nd

On the 21st, wrote a long letter to [illegible]: In the evening, Sister Bella gave a Magic Lantern exhibition, in the Chapel, at wh. the native traders & their people, from across the river, were present: So anxious about the non arrival of the "Falaba", that, on the 22nd, sent a canoe

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& 3 crew, down to Kângwe, to inquire news:- Wrote a long letter to Jenny Gaswan:- Esinwe & little Ogandaga keeping station-cutlasses in their houses, I required them to buy for themselves those tools: they were disposed to be a little recalcitrant, but finally submitted: About 2. P.M., the "Galom" passed up, & shouted up word that the "Falaba" had arrived, at Lembarene, on the 21st. Somewhat excited in the prospect of her being here in a day or two:- About 4. P.M., Agonjo & Okendo came, to report their arrival at the [illegible] trading post, & to get supply of goods for food: Heavy rain, at night.

Wed'y Jan'y 23rd
Thursday " 24th
Friday " 25th
Saturday " 26th
Sabbath " 27th
Monday " 28th
Tuesday " 29th
Wednesday " 30th
Thursday " 31st

The 23rd was a fine day until, about 4. P.M., a heavy rain came. And, about 5.30 P.M., the ~~"Falaba"~~ "Dualla" came, bringing the expected guests: Rev. Mr. & Mrs Marling & 2 infants, and 2 servants, & Mrs Ogden; Mr. Reading; Njivo, & Elders Owondo, Etiyani, & Itongolo; and Mr. Menkel & George; Mr. Good, his 6 crew, & Yongwe. The rain had mostly ceased, but everything was [illegible] cold & muddy: Went up [illegible] canoes. Set the Sch. bell to ringing; &, after all were landed, hung up the Chinese lanterns. All comfortably stowed away. Welcomes and news: A short prayer-meeting late: Sat up late talking with Mr. Reading.

On the 24th, many jobs; butchering the goat: Mbra in a hurry, to have the consultation with his wife, whether she would come back to him and live with him. She utterly refused. Buying a lot of ijuwa:- Began Presbytery in the afternoon: On Friday 25th, began Mission, in the morning; & continued with Presbytery in afternoon:- On Satur. 26th, the meetings of Mission & Presbytery continued. Finished Presbytery at night.

On Sabbath 27th, Mr. Marling went to Fan village; and at church a crowd of them came. Mr. Good & Mr Marling preached: The Lord's Supper, in the afternoon. I presided & made the Address. Mr Good baptized, & Mr Marling the distribution: Elders meeting in the evening. On Monday 28th, continuing Mission Meeting; "Falaba" came up, ~~at~~ in the afternoon. On the 29th before daylight was, Mr. Good was up, loading his boat & off with his crew, Njivo, Mr Menkel and Grace Menkel went on an excursion, at 9. A.M.

to Mary's Ozege, lunched there; & remained with Mary, Aziza, & Nkengani. Mary was delighted with her bath. Mr. Reading, Mr. Marling, Miss Ogden, Rev. Etiyani, the 2 licentiates, & 8 crew went on to Asange;– Saw an Antimachus butterfly, but could not catch it. On the 30th, finished Mission-Meeting, marked boxes for America, wrote letters; & at night, made orders to America & England, for food. On the 31st, the "Nelly Howard" was loaded, & with a crew of 8, Mr. Reading, Etiyani, Itongolo, & Onondo, left for Kangwe.

My remaining employees are lonely, at the depletion of the number of visitors: There remain only Mr & Mrs Marling, & their children & 2 servants, & Miss Ogden; found the white-ants had invaded Mary's mother's little boat, "the Swan"

Friday Feb'y 1st }
Sat'y " 2d }
Sabbath " 3d }

On Sat'y P.M., we all walked up to the hill-house; and I took the visitors to see the Pool up the ravine:– A goodly company present on Sabbath, as I had not expected the Fang wd. come, their [illegible] having been satisfied a week ago.

[Talaguga] (February 1889) (46)

Monday Feb'y 4th
Tuesday " 5th
Wed'y " 6th
Thursday " "

Hot days of the "Middle Dry":- One of these days, Rev. & Mrs Marling went, in the "Swan", visiting down to Ndonamavina's village:- On ~~Wed'y~~ Thursday afternoon, we all, except Mrs Marling, went a walk around the path of the outline of the Mission Premises. At 6. P.M. of the 7th, Renjogo & company returned from Kangwe:- Mr. Reading was still detained there waiting for a passage to Gabun: no prospect of any till the end of this month.

Friday, Feb'y 8th
Sat'y, " 9th
Sabbath " 10th

On the 8th, the "Akĭle" came, bringing notes from Kângwe:- Report [illegible] Wöermann's [illegible] at Ntula's was to be broken up. On the 9th, the ~~[illegible]~~ "Akĭle" went down river:- A little trouble with Atăke, on one of these days:- A good attendance at church, on the 10th, though unexpected; for, a large canoe of Fañ had gone fishing in morning, & Mr. Marling did not go as usual to the village, to invite:- Very warm weather:- Mary's boils continue:- In the evening, a canoe of Njĕgă's people were at meeting, stopping on their way up river.

Monday, Feby 11th }
Tuesday " 12th } Attending to usual jobs:- Rain at nights:- The 12th was
Wed'y " 13th } rainy & chilly:- Had expected to go, on excursion, to Mary's Ozĕgĕ, on the 13th; but, Sister Bella was not well enough. I lay all day on my back, on the settee in the study, with a poultice of bananas on my chest over a boil:- Sat up late at night, Mr Marling talking over Mission matters.

Thursday Feby 14th }
Friday " 15th }
Sat'y " 16th }
Sabbath " 17th } Did not feel well, nor did Mrs Marling, though Sister Bella was now well & ready for the delayed Excursion to Mary's Ozĕgĕ;, & so the excursion failed again on the 14th:- On the 15th, Sister Bella & Mrs Ogden went, in "Evangeline", to Kângwe, with a crew of 7:- On Saty, the "Basilic" passed up, about 7.30. A.M., and Rev. & Mrs Marling, with "Ally-Howard" and a weak crew of 8, followed it to Asange, & returned at 6. P.M.:- Jamie, Harrington & I took care of their little boy, though neither of us was well. A small weak company remaining at the station;- A gun-boat passed up, shortly after the "Basilic":- On the 17th, a good attendance at church; the "[illegible]"

passed up, while we were at church:- In the afternoon, at Sab. Sch., I baptized Mrs Marling's baby, Cameron Adams:- In the evening, gave a strong rebuke to my people about the laughing of some of them in the morning.

Monday, Feby 18th
Tuesday, " 19th
Wed'y " 20th
Thursday " 21st
Friday " 22nd
Sat'y, " 23rd
Sabbath, " 24th
Monday " 25th
Tuesday " 26th
Wed'y " 27th

On the 18th & 19th, the Marlings were preparing for ~~expectation~~ going on the expected "Akele"; but, about 5. P.M. of the 19th, the "Gambia" passed up, leaving a letter from sister Bella, saying she wd arrive here next day. Also, Mr. McTaggart said the "Akele" was up the Ngunye. Fearing it wd not come here, in time for the Marlings to get to Mangi-of-Orungu, before Sabbath, I engaged the "Gambia" to stop for them, when it shd come down river. Wed'y, at about 10. A.M., the "Gambia" came & took Mr & Mrs Marling, their 2 children, & 2 lads. Only quite a small company left remaining here:- About 6. P.M., the "Akele" unexpectedly came, towing sister Bella's boat. She had, on her journey up, met & communicated twice with the "Gambia", & had been aided by the "Akele"; her story of her rapid return from Kângwe in 3 days:- The two

~~On Thursday~~ Germans, on the "Akile", messrs Czech of Manji, and Haber(?) of Aguilaka, came ashore, for an hour in the evening.

On Thursday 21st, on its return down river, the "Akile" took Malango, on his final departure:- The 22d & 23d, cleaning up the house, and putting away what had been used for the guests:- An unexpected good attendance of Fan on Sabbath 24th A.M.
Onanga left work on the 23d, & on the 24th went down river, with a sick relative.
On the 26th, Agonjo, Okendo, & their 2 people came, to get their month's pay:- Okendo asking for advance in wages, wh. I promptly refused.

Mary no longer has her tumbler of milk & porridge immediately on awaking in the mornings, but is dressed first, & comes to the breakfast table:- On the 27th, Agonjo left, & the 2 Fan lads, having filled out their promised time, went with him, to their villages.
Thursday Feby 28th. Wrote in the A.M., letters: but, in the afternoon, felt feverish, and did no reading or writing:- Paid the month's wages:- A rain storm coming on at 5.30 P.M., which continued all night.

[Talaguga] (~~February~~ March 1889) (50)

Friday March 1'
Sat'y " 2'
Sabbath " 3'
Monday " 4'
Tuesday " 5'
Wed'y " 6'
Thursday " 7'
Friday " 8'

No entries all these days: have been unable to walk about, because of boils on my right thigh:- Isabela and Renjogo also have boils:- Had to rebuke Mbonkâmi, one day, for interfering with my authority over Nkenjani:- The "Akĕle" passed up river, about noon of the 5'. Sent letters by her on A.M. of the 6':- On the 6', sister, in the "Evangeline", went down river, to Yeña, and returned, in a heavy rain, in afternoon of the 7':- Friday 8', A.M., sat with my sore leg directing the arrangement of tools, in the tool-room: &, in the afternoon, in sister's boat, with her and Mary, to "Mary's Ozĕgĕ":- Don dog followed us a long way. The large male duck also was absent, all day, at Nze-waga's village:- The palaver in the evening, about Ntyemanji's stealing from Mbenu:- Rearranged for the journey to Kângwe & Mbonkâmi agreed to-give up his right to go, and remain with Akengani here, with Sister K. M.

Saturday, March 9th
Sabbath " 10th
Monday " 11th
Tuesday " 12th

Only a small attendance on Sabbath:- The "Inengá" passed up:- In the evening, trouble about Monkâmi & Akengani.

On Monday, beginning to gather the baggage for my journey, with Mary to Kângwe. Surprised at Sister Bella's sudden intention to go also; but she changed her mind subsequently. Cold Rain at night:- On Tuesday, packing for the journey:- Have been poulticing the boil on my thigh, for a week:- Sent a canoe to Asange, for goods; on its return, heard that the "Falaba" was on its way hither, aground near Belambila, & that Mr. Mooney was drowned from the vessel; no particulars as to the cause of his death.

Wed'y March 13'
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Journey, with Mr. Gord for Church Organization.

Off from Talaguga, by 6. A. M., with 8 crew, and Janie H., Iga, & Mary:- Inquired at Njŏmu, for Nyilinlo; he was not there:- Passing Nkogo, a Fañ hailed us, & held up to view a human arm, offering it for sale as "meat": He said they had just come from Abanga Creek, and had killed 2 people there:- Stopped at Nguilaka, to see Mr Wheeler, Mr Jones' successor; but he was not there:- At Agonjo's, by 10.30. A. M. A Fañ inquirer, for the Class. Ate there, in the boat. Took Agonjo and the inquirer with me, making 10 paddles:- Stopped at Mbomi, to inquire for a Goree trader "James", who was living with 2 of Janie's cousins. That was not his place. Found his house at Samikita :- Janie went ashore to see them; she was not well received by him. Her story of the slavery, in wh. her cousins allowed themselves to live :- To the "Falaba", wh. was discharging Government cargo, into the "Gambia" and into canoes :- Two packages of mails on the "Falaba". Divided them; kept mine, & sent the rest by "Gambia", to sister Bella :- Capt. Watkins not very obliging in arrangements for Janie, as a prospective passenger to Gabon :- Went on. The crew's obscene song :- Below the Ngunyẽ, came a heavy rain; but Janie, Iga, Mary & I kept dry, in the thatch-house over the stern :- Landed at Andẽnde beach, by 7. P.M :- No one there to meet us, or to welcome, or to tell us where we were to go. Presently, Njâi said Mr. Good had left word we were to come to his house, on the Hill. Then came M. Carmein, to welcome us, & presently M. Gacon :- Went to Andẽnde house, & sent on to the Hill, Janie, Iga, & Mary carried by one of my people, & led by Mr Good's boy, who had come with a lantern. I waited till all the luggage was discharged, and piled in the Andẽnde dining-room, & sent up to the Hill certain pieces, wh. were needed by us at once:- The school boys' fear of leopards: A parcel of letters awaiting me, at Andĕnde, that had just come by the "Dualla":- Boxes of cloth, cod-fish, & other things had arrived for me per "Dualla": Then I walked up the long path alone to the Hill:- Welcomed at Mr. Good's:- Mary happy, playing with Bertie, & with a little "bush cat" kind of weasel (civet, or perhaps genet):- Jamie washed Mary, while I ate supper:- Long talk with Mr. Good, about arrangements for ~~the~~ our journey,- & probabilities of steamers, for Jamie to go to Gabon on a visit & plans for new Churches and elders, &c. &c.:- Sat up late, reading letters:- My thigh painful, with its large phlegmon:- Rain at night.

Thursday 14th. Rain still falling: Rain diminished, about 9. A.M.:- Went, in advance, to Andĕnde, with Jamie, Iga, & Mary, to put away luggage, divide hers & mine,- take what I needed for my journey, & put in a pile what she needed on the Hill: Mr. & Mrs Good followed: the packing our food-box:- Settling the matter about the obscene song of yesterday, the leader of wh. proved to be Agonjo, & not Atâka; the investigation was not a pleasant

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one:- (On my return from the Sinagi, learned ~~My~~ Atâke & Esimwĕ had refused to carry Janie's things to the Hill):- Off by 10. A. M.:- Carried box of cloth, to be placed on the "Akĭle":- Went to Hatton & Cookson; got gun and powder, for Azâze:- The Lord arranged for Miss Harding, to go by "Falaba", when it should come down river:- On to Mr. Letz's, and arranged for my boxes to go to Talagugu, by "Akĭle", and for Janie to go by "Dualla" on the 23d:- Down river to Yongwe's, & took him in the boat:- Three of my people were with me, as passengers, Ogandaga, Ndâmbĕ, and Ombago:- Did not stop for dinner; ate in the boat:- At Orânga, left off Ndâmbĕ & Ogandaga, the latter sick:- On to Igenja; ate lunch in the boat:- Landed after dark; thigh hurt me very much:- Welcomed by Wora & others:- A hearty supper; mosquitoes troublesome.

Friday 15th: The "Ovino", with Mr. Deming, on its way up river, stopped to get wood. Mr. D. ashore, and conversing about the R. C. priests, at Manji, buying slaves:- Many welcomes;- Ombago's mother & grandmother, Pânu;- Kevu;- Apayo;- Renondo;- Mâmbĭ;- Nângini;- &c &c.

Took a good bath & felt more comfortable: Privately asked Wora, Yongwe, and Mâmbẽ, separately, about the meaning of that obscene boat-song; they all justified my interpretation of it:- Delay in the afternoon, for the people to gather for meeting:- About 5. P.M., I preached, held congregational meeting, - organized 52 people, from 1st Ogove ch., into a 2d Ogove church. Elected Wora, Abumba, & Simeon, ruling Elders:- Mr. Good then ordained & installed them.

Sat'y 16th. Mr. Good, at session meeting. I with my boils; many visitors. I preached Preparatory service, in afternoon.

Sabbath 17th. The Lord's table, in the morning: 1 man & 3 women baptized:- A French gun-boat passed up:- At meeting in afternoon, I baptized a babe: Mr. Good off, preaching at a Fañ village:- Applications to go with me to Inenga, Esamba, - Mbigino, - Onanga, Remando &c: Many thoughts, in the evening star-light, - tropic leaves, - soft wind, - thoughts of changes in [illegible] in the past 10 years: town so quiet and civilized and respectful; good houses; an hospitable reception by the people.

Monday 18th. Renjogo, [illegible] appeared. Off about 8. A.M., with plenty;

of Gord, in the journey to the Lakes. On the way up river, stopped to preach and eat at a village, Lâmbe, where I remember stopping to eat and preach, with sister Bella & Kongolo, 10 years ago:- A lad in this village, a member of the Class, with his hand wounded by a gun:- R. C. influence in that village:- Crossed to the left bank, to a Fañ ~~town~~ village, near Azâze's old Finandi-Po town. Mr. Gord went ashore, to preach:- These Fañ very savage looking & very dirty; women searching each others' heads for lice, and eating the insects! On to Orânga, by 4. P.M.. Mr. Gord crossed, in a canoe, to the left bank, again to preach: Simbuve's nice house; his comfortable room for me:- Bathing my thigh with hot water:- Meeting in evening: Mbalo's mother; Ogandaga's wife. Azâze came, to call on me, & thanked for the gun & powder, and gave me a fowl. Wrote to Nancy & Jennie;

Tuesday 19th, Orânga and Mbâgino, who had come with me from Igenja, left, to go on up river, & the boat prepared for going into the Lakes:- The journey into the exit; recognised old places! Entered Lake Onange; stopped at a village, on an island, to preach:- A fierce storm of wind and rain compelled us to discharge the boat: Ate dinner there, and delayed till the rain slackened. Then, went on, in the rain, over a route I recognized, until we came to near the entrance to Lake Ogĕmwe; beyond this, I had not gone in the past: Beautiful islands, and prairies on the hill-sides :- By 4. P.M., reached Bigmans Scripture-reading village, Olamba :- My boils very painful :- Surprised to see my runaway Mañandi employed as Bigman's assistant :- Was pleased with the confidence of some little children in me, in the evening worship.

Wed. 20: Started from Ogĕmwĕ, out to Lake Ezanga; hot day; long pull; headache; stopped at a large tumble-down village, whose people were very forward and disrespectful; a young man there, who had worked with me, at Kângwe. He actually asked for rum! R. C. school-boys rude; etc; Heard of the "King of the Water", who takes tribute of all fishermen on Lake Ezanga. People of the town begging for gifts :- Avega had just preceded us, at the village. So also, we heard that he had just been at three other villages we stopped at:- My sick head-ache increased very much; and, after leaving the miserable hamlet of the "King of the Water", I vomited freely:- At Avaya's Akële village town, Ngiabeta, by 6. P.M. Felt free from head-ache: though my boils hurt, walked to the rear of Avaya's house, on the rolling prairie, to view the splendid range of the Ashira Hills:- The prairie dotted with umbrella-shaped ant-hills, as described by Du Chaillu:- new prairie flowers. Heavy rain at night:- Talk on witchcraft-murders. Thursday 21st, The Mpongwe trader, Ogumbedinge, starting for the factories, we followed, to get out of the Lake to the Ogowe River. Mr Good missed the opening of the creek through the long grass. He tried shots at birds, etc, but shot only one fish-eagle:- long route, winding in a desolate region:- rapids: at an Akële town, for a late dinner; Bought 2 small udita:- got sets of a variety of plantain, "Elephant plantain":- Emerged, at 6. P.M, into Ogowe river, at village of Ompomonuwâna, having passed Ogumbedinge twice, on the way! While Mr Good went to another village, preach, the R.C. school children, at Ompomouânâ, complained of my being given the use of a house ~~that~~ had been assigned for the use of the R.C. priest :- after some delay and hard words, we left, and went to another adjacent village : The R.C. people kept up their noisy meeting, near where we were holding ours :- That night, the boil began to discharge.

Friday 22d. Hot malarial sun; headache;- At Wombâliyĕ, by 9. A.M. :- In Awbamauli's comfortable little house :- Mr Good busy with Elder Yongwe :- I bathed, & boil felt easier, but headache increased:- The "Akele" passed down :- No news of the "Falaba", or whether Mrs Harding had gone; Communion Bread and letters, from Mrs Good of Kângwe and Sister Bella at Talaguga :- Visitors, Agonjo, Aziza, Ogandaga, Inândi, &c. Meeting, in afternoon, for organization. Elected, as Elders, old Mâmbâ, Ntyanga, & Rewonligo. They were then ordained & installed; my headache disappeared :- Boil discharging. Sent letters & okikà by Onanga.

Saturday 23d; Felt almost well again, & free from headache; cd. walk a little, as the boil was well discharged :- "Jeanne Louise" passed down river, at first, thought it was the "Falaba"; wondering and speculating about the "Falaba", where she was, or what doing:- Visitors coming & going; Esaonwamani, & his wife Aninta, & their little babe;- Ogula the pilot:

Sabbath 24th. Dark clouds, wind; Saw rain coming, & went to church, though it was not yet time. Heavy rain. People slow in collecting together. The "Dualla" passed down & I stood near the door outside, & waved handkerchief, & 2 handkerchiefs responded, I suppose Janie H's, and Miss Harding's.

The morning service was interrupted by people coming late; 10 people, (6 women) baptized. Collection of beads, tumblers, plates, cloth, &c: rather amusing to see the plates pushed into the collection hat! Aziza came to complain against me, because Mr. Good has refused her baptism, because of my report of her habit of lying; when I gave Janie H., as my witness, she said she wd. quarrel with Janie.

Monday 25th. All the congregation had scattered yesterday: Aveya's brother, Ampamba, came to get employment; no, he was too late:- Warm day! Water of river high & strong: No good camping-place, for dinner; because point for [illegible], in the long delay:- [illegible] at a plantation, in Kerje creek, & ate at the hut of a Galwa slave, who was very kind, & who remembered me, from Kângwe days:- Emerged into Ajumba river: discussion, with Mr. Good, about a certain hill, wh. I thought was Kângwe: ~~[illegible]~~ Saw a vine & pod, wh. the crew said was onai poison (Strophanthus): Landed near old Nkâmi-house landing, of Kângwe Hill; climbed the steep hillside; went on the rear path to the Good house. Saw Mary sitting down in a chamber,- did not reveal myself till she was done. Her glad welcome, and great repetition of "My dear father comes to me!", all the afternoon:- News of Mrs. [illegible] drowning:- Story of the going of Janie H. & Miss Harding:- Howling of chimpanzees, at night: had been told the story of the leopard attacking Mr. Good's dog Dick.

Tuesday 26th

Writing letters all morning:- In afternoon, preparing boxes, for the journey back to Talaguga:-

Wed'y 27th. The crew were so slow to come up the hill to get my boxes, so, at 6.30 A.M., leaving Mary asleep, I went all the way to Andende, to call them: Met Zondo coming, & he had called the others; but they were slow to follow; Atâka & Esinwe i the [illegible] last to come:- Agonjo had offered yesterday, rather than to be entirely dismissed, to come back to his former ordinary work, at Talaguga, till I could restore my confidence in him:- Hurried back to the hill residence, on the way, a letter Agonjo gave me from Janie H., wh. she had written at the "factory" the Saty 23rd, whither she had gone to await the "Delta's" going:- Ate breakfast hastily, & took Mary, & started down hill to Andĕndĕ, & hurried the loading of the boat, & was actually off by 5 minutes of 8. oclk. Had 11 crew & boy; put Agonjo at the rudder by me, & I devoted myself to Mary:- Good progress:- Ate, at 11.30, in the camp, at head of Nkânjâ island (Walker's), opposite mouth of Ngunye: On, with good progress, till dusk, at native trader's house, on Sambo's (Goree) old site, opposite head of Goree island (Nenge-sika): Mary very tired & sleepy:- Soon went to bed with her, leaving evening prayers for Agonjo. Thursday 28th. Mary had a little strip of cloth, wh. the town women said was theirs, & I did not understand her statement; &, for a little while, doubted her, when she said she had found it at Kângwe, she was right.

Warm day; but, the house over the stern protected us. In stiff strong water; slow progress. Had hoped to reach 'Ree-volo ~~at~~ by night; gave up the hope, & thought for Akogo. A rudder-pin loosened: fortunately, the "Jalala" was still at anchor, where it had been 2 weeks ago, repairing its boiler, &, the Capt Watkins had a staple forged for me. All this going & repairing lost us an hour: Ate, in the forest, above Imboni: Hope for reaching Akogo failed, & I aimed for Ompomo-i'kusa. At dusk, reached its lower landing. The Bakele gave me only a tumble-down house, wh. I blamed Ndâmbi for considering good enough for me: was vexed, & ordered my things back into the boat, & we dropped down river a few hundred yds, & built a fire in the forest, & Mary & I slept in the boat. Very uncomfortable!

Friday 29th. Started again, at 7. A. M. As Agonjo & his Fan had been left yesterday afternoon, at their town, & ~~this~~ left 9 paddlers, I gave up hope of reaching Talaguga ~~this~~ day, & called Renjogo to the rudder, leaving 8 paddlers: Made good progress: Ate early, at the lower landing of the Bitâgâ town, where Njambe had been trading, near the fishing-lake:- Many went ashore; I did not:- Remarkably good fare; Hope of reaching Talaguga this day, revived, & I took the rudder, & Kanjoni returned to the paddle:- The boat flew:- Reached Talaguga at candle-light: Our coming was observed, & the Chinese lanterns were lighted, for a welcome:- Many had been sleeping, for 2 hours; Glad to be at home; Discharging & putting things away:- Sat up, at night, hearing sister Bella's report, and giving mine. Saturday 30th. Sent to Asange, to Mr McTaggart, the letter sent per me from Aguewa; Excused the crew from work to-day:- Putting away contents of trunks:- Sabbath 31st. A large number of Fan at church:- I tried to induce them to take charge of, & take to their town the Fan man, who had wandered on these premises, while I was away, who had been thrown, by Ntula, into the forest to die: but they wd not take him, & he is a care and nuisance here.

Monday April 1st
Tuesday " 2d
Wed'y " 3d
Thursday " 4th } Big wash of Mary's and my clothing soiled, on the late journey:—Paid last month's wages, in afternoon, and inflicted the punishments I had threatened, for mis-deeds on the late journey; instead of giving to all a present of the time spent at their villages, while I was with Mr. Good in the Lakes, I deducted this time from Atâke $2.00, Esimwĕ $1.00 (and dismissed them from my service) and Ndâmbe $1.00.

On Tuesday afternoon, Agonjo came, with Okendo & their 2 people; & Njĕgâ came, to sell plantains. Paid Agonjo & company wages for March. On Wed'y, Agonjo & company left; ~~&~~, as passengers, went Monkâmi & Nkengani; Atâke & Esimwe; and Ndâmbe, who said he was sick:— A Fañ lad, brought by Agonjo, Ngwa, staid to work & study: The remaining company seem quite reduced in numbers:— A very heavy rain at night. Thursday, A steamer (the "Jean-Louise"?) which passed up yesterday, went down to-day:— A charmingly beautiful day, after last night's rain.

Friday Apr. 5th. Just after breakfast, found Mbinge had ceased work, and was eating: sent him to his house; to lose the pay for a day:- Wrote acknowledging cousin Fanny (Hand.) Armstrong's marriage card:- People from Njomu came to sleep, for the night,- to leave their canoe in my care,- & to carry their trading goods back into the bush:- A French gun-boat passed up. Evidently raining somewhere to-day; for, the air in the afternoon, was not oppressively hot, as it has been, for more than a month past:- my boils, very numerous, but diminishing in size, I take this as a sign of their disappearing.

Sat. April 6th
Sabbath " 7th
Monday " 8th
Tuesday " 9th

My boils increasing in number; poulticed one on my hand: On Sabbath, the "Akele" passed up, in the morning, and down in the afternoon. No strangers at church: and my own company was very small:- Poulticed the boils on my leg:- assistant-nurse Mwanyeno sick.

On Monday, Mwanyeno washed Mary's clothes; but, c'd do no more. On Tuesday, a quantity of iguma was brought, but I could not buy it, as we had sufficient on hand: The "Oka" passed up: Mwanyeno not working at all: Adâmbe disabled himself:

Wed'y April 10th
Thursday " 11th
Friday " 12th
} Have been almost confined to the house these days, by new boils on my right thigh.– Using hot water to bathe them, instead of poultices. On Friday, tried poultices again; but, they did not relieve me as much as the water did.– Sister Bella also suffering from irritable skin, neuralgia, & tooth-ache. Several of the workmen sick also.– For years, we have not been so few at Talaguga, and so many of us ailing.

Sat'y April 13th
Sabbath " 14th
Monday " 15th
Tuesday " 16th
Wed'y " 17th
Thursday " 18th
} In the afternoon of 13th, came Agonjo & his company, with 2 young men, whom he had hired, to bring him here from Galwa, and a Fañ lad, who came to work & study. Paid the 2 young men, & arranged &c for Renjogo's journey on Monday.

On the 14th, a good attendance of Fañ at church. On the 15th, started Renjogo & 4 others, & 2 canoes. And, later, started off Nkendo & his 2, to live at Agonjo's Scripture reading place. The Fañ, who had come to study, went also, dissatisfied at something:- During the subsequent days, I wrote letters, and attending to bathing my boils with hot water:- The "[illegible]" came up river. Atula came, to sell iguana, but I refused to buy from him, because of his casting away the sick Fan man:- Very warm in the afternoon of the 18th.

Friday 19th
Saty 20th
Sabbath 22d
Monday 22d

On Friday, 6. P.M., in face of a coming storm, the "Dualla" whistled. Thought perhaps "Annie H. was already returning". Went off, in canoe, & found Ombago, & the mail. Saw Mr. Allan, Mr. Jones, Mr. Lutz, Mr. Kurtz, & Chef du Post Du Val. Very heavy rain. Besides local letters, there were foreign letters, from son Charles Jany 20th; Mrs J. E. Robinson Jany 20th; Mr De Heer, Feby 4th; son William, Feby 9th; Jenny Gosman, Feby 13th; photograph of 4 Gosman nieces. On Saturday, went, in "Swan", to Asange Post, where the "Dualla" still was. Met Messrs Allan, Lutz, Kurtz, & Jones. "Dualla" left.

On Sabbath, a good attendance of Fan.

[illegible]

Fan man we were teaching, whom they had thrown away, came to get him, and promised to take care of him:- The "Inenga", which had gone up yesterday, passed down.

On Monday, went up to the hill-house, with Mary, to show work to Elder Abumba, and wrote letters:- The "Gambia" went up river.

Tuesday April 23rd. The "Gambia" passed down, & I sent letters by it, per Mr. Allan:- Got out the boat, for sister's journey.

Wed'y April 24th.

Sister Bella found white ants in one of her trunks:- About 9. A.M., she started, in "Evangelaire", & crew of 8, for a journey of 3 days, to Ngwilaka:- The Fan, who had left their canoe with me some 19 days ago, emerged from their forest journey, & resumed their canoe:- A quiet day, with so many people away. Threatened rain, but scarcely any fell:- Elder Abumba conducted Prayer-meeting, as I stayed with Mary:- To-day, wrote a long letter to Dr. Gillespie:- The "Onella" passed up to-day.

Thursday 25th. The "Dwella" passed down, at 7. A.M.: French employees, returning, [illegible] down river, where they had been buying fowls & goats, stopped to sell plantains:- A Fang, from Ntoela's, came with [illegible] large plantains, with which he buy an axe:- Some Fang, from near Asange, [illegible] to [illegible] the house, and asked for liquor! Did not feel any energy, and wrote no letters. Threatening clouds; but only a slight shower. Rain at night.

Friday 26th. Cool and cloudy all day. The "Oka" passed up, at 4. P.M. Wrote a letter to Sister Hanna:- Sister Bella returned, in the evening, at 7.30. o'clk.

Sat. April 27th }
Sabbath " 28th }
Monday " 29th }
Tuesday " 30th }
Made no entries all these days: a boil, on my middle finger of right hand, prevented writing:- On the 30th, paid the month's wages:- Had employed Abumba and Elder Agonjo, to translate the 10 Commandments into Fang for me:- Okendo & his 2 people came, on the 30th: paid them, on the first of May.

[Talaguga] (May 1889)

Wed.y May 1st
Thursday " 2d
Friday " 3d
Sat.y " 4th
Sabbath " 5th

Adâmbi left, on Wed.y, I do not know, for what reason :- Unable to write at all, because of my poulticed finger :- Abundance of food these days, plantains and iguma :- Several steamers have passed up and down, during these days : Weather becoming slightly cooler; but, there is a surprisingly small amount of rain; river is not as high as it should be :- assistant Pawâ is sick, and I have been unable to ask her to do my mending, while Janie H. is away :- On Thursday, Mĕngĕ & Ampandu went to Asange, to see a sick relative :- On Saturday, 2 canoes of Galwa [illegible], on their way to Asange, and sold me plantains : On Sabbath, some 15 Fans were at chapel : heard they had shot a leopard. The 2 Galwa canoes stopped, for a few minutes, on their way down river.

Monday May 6th
Tuesday " 7th
Wed.y " 8th
Thursday " 9th

Have been poulticing the middle finger of right hand, a boil, but managed to write a few letters, and sent them on Wed.y morning.

by the "Akele", which had gone up river on Tuesday:- Am surprised at the weather: daily thunder & lightning, but little rain, and river not high: it should be in flood.

Friday May 10th:- To day, for the first, in a long time, I was free from pain of boils:- In the afternoon, worked a while, with the spade, out doors, & revised my M.S. of Benga Grammar. Felt unusually well; but, after going to bed, could not sleep. Rose, partly dressed, & read news papers late.

Sat. May 11th
Sabbath " 12th
Monday " 13th
Tuesday " 14th

With Agonjo, going as usual to the villages toward Asange, I sent to buy Mhaya a dish with a cover like a gorilla. She was very much pleased: Heard Akendenge was at Asange with his [illegible]; [illegible] did not come on Sabbath, as they were awaiting war with the Bindubi:- Onanga, whom I had [illegible] leave of absence on Sat. to go down river, ran away on the 12th: On Sabbath evening, was annoyed that Mr. Jones stopped in his canoe, to offer to take letters: I did not send any: Heavy rain, at night. On Monday, [illegible] under this house. On Tuesday, started off Elder Abumba, with Ovenjogo and Ntabe, down river, on a few days' itineration of the villages.

Wed'y May 15 }
Thursday " 16 } Heavy rains, and river rising. On the 15, the "Ovivo", which had gone up river yesterday, passed down, and I sent letters by it. Writing the "Story of Anyentyuwe". Pâwa is sewing for me, (while her husband Abumba is away) doing Mary's and my mending, till Jane H. returns. Sister Bella not well.

Friday May 17 }
Sat'y " 18 }
Sabbath " 19 } River decidedly rising; the Stone all covered. Heavy rains. Abumba returned, in the evening. At 11. A.M., the "Akele" had come, bringing me a large box of cloth, and a small box, from America, for sister Bella; and it went down again, late in the afternoon. On Sat'y, the "Oka" passed up; Mr. Beddoes was on board. On Sabbath, the "Oka" passed down, and ~~the~~ a French gun boat passed up. A large attendance of Fañ, at chapel, with Ayamba. Am now entirely free from [illegible].

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Monday May 20th
Tuesday " 21st
Wed. " 22nd
Thursday " 23rd
Friday " 24th }

Having logs squared, to substitute for a rotten sill, under this house. On Tuesday evening, after dark, heard whistle of "Oualla"; night very dark, and threatening rain. At the Landing, were Rev. Messrs Teisseres and Allegret, the delegates from the Paris Evangelical Society. The "Oualla" was anchored in a bad spot; it took up anchor and moved up, near to its proper place; but, there its anchor broke; it [illegible] down near the rocks, and anchored again there.

On the morning of the 22nd, the "Oualla", unable to get its anchor up, cut its cable, having made a buoy, which was too light, & it all sank. In afternoon, took the 2 visitors a walk to the Hill-house, and to the Pool: During the day, the principal work of the little dust-pan. On Thursday afternoon, the 2 visitors went, in canoe, as far as Nkoli Island, to see Fan villages. On Friday, they went, by canoe, to visit the French Post, on Asange island.

Saturday May 25th
Sabbath " 26th } [illegible]

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moored; and, by 5. P.M., Messrs Teisseres & Allegret started in [illegible] to Kângwe; Abumba finished some jobs under the house; at night, was a heavy rain. On Sabbath, the weather was cold and [illegible]. No Fan present: Have a strong impression that the mail and Jennie H will come this week.

Monday May 27
Tuesday " 28
Wed " 29
Thursday " 30

During these days, writing at the copying of the M.S. of the Benga Grammar, and calculating on the arrival of the mail. No steamer has come these days:- A canoe of Galwa, from Nkogo factories, [illegible], over 40 plantains:- The house-boys do not treat Mary kindly in the afternoon when she [illegible] to play with her. On the 30th, Agonjo returned from Kângwe, but, with no mail, nor news from Gaboon. [illegible] also came with him.

May 31, Friday
June 1, Sat.
" 2, Sabbath

Ogandaga, of Orânga, who had come at the same time with Agonjo, in a separate canoe of people, going to sell fish at Asange, went on with his people, on Friday.

[Talaguga] (June 1889) (77)

On Sat., before daylight, Agonjo, Okendo, and companions left again for Kângwe: also Ngâmbe. Agonjo, to get his wife; and Okendo to see his sick mother.

On Sabbath. There were no strangers present, in morning. But, 14 Fans were present at Sab. Sch., waiting for night, to pass to Asange. Was disappointed, on Friday and Sat., at the non arrival of the "Dualla" expected with the [illegible] Harrington.

Monday June 3d
Tuesday " 4th
Wed. " 5

On Monday, the "Dualla" passed up, but no signals for me. Was very much disappointed, for there was not a word of news. Am wondering where Mr. Good is, or what he is doing. And, at night, was annoyed at Ellen Abumba coming to ask for increase of wages; and, at Mbala's wanting to have leave of absence, when I especially need him, to stay here, while I ~~was~~ shall be away in July. On Tuesday, the "Dualla" went down river, whistled for letters, but I had none ready. A French Gov. boat passed up.

On Wed., Sister Bella, in her [illegible] crew of six, went itinerating. The Gov. boat

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passed down river. And the "Jean Louis" passed up! We are not strong at present. I am bilious; Mary with a cold in her head; Renjogo, abscess in ear; Mbala, fever; Mwiri [illegible] a cold.

I think the Dry Season has come. The rain is falling; [illegible] light; do not hear any more thunder; skies clouded, and nights cold.

Thursday June 6. Last night there was a heavy shower of rain with thunder; neither Mary nor I were well, and we both took medicine; I had a slight chill:- This morning, was weak from operation of medicine. Did not write or read much. Mary was so much better:- In afternoon, went to the little house for a walk with her:- At 5. P.M. was [illegible] by a steamer's whistle. I thought it was some mail from down river. It was the "Jean Louis" going down river, & it had kindly offered to take letters. I had none ready. I am waiting for letters: Renjogo seems to be losing his energy and sense, he works so stupidly!

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Friday June 7th } List of letters &c came by [illegible]
Saty " 8th } Sat. [illegible] Business ma[illegible]

Local letters :- Marriage card of the Ed. Wells jr.; Mrs J. E. Robinson, March 3d; Rev. A. W. Brown, March 8th; Jenny Gosman 2, March 10, and April 18th; Miss [illegible] (to Mrs. [illegible]) April 5th; Dr. Gillespie, Apr. 19th. Local letters from Mr. Good; Mrs Good; 4 from Mr. Reading; Mr. Menkel; Asâmbo; Etuyani; Janie H. Nkâmâ; Mr. Wheeler. Newspapers, "The Press" "The Presb. Journal"; "L'Afrique"; "Church at Home & Abroad"; "Missy Herald"; Woman's Home Missy Monthly; "The Open Court"; [illegible]'s "Complaint & Appeal"; ~~Rev.~~ E. C. Baker's "Words of Reconciliation"; The ~~Supper~~ Representation of Communion Wine. Sister Bella & crew returned about 3.30, P.M. A note (& [illegible]) from sister Hannah in a letter to sister Bella.

Sabbath June 9th. The Dry season has come.

Monday June 10th } Arranging on Monday for
Tuesday " 11th } Abumbi's journey for his Eldership duty at Igenja.
On Tuesday morning between 3. and 4 A.M. Abumbi started with Londo and Mbala, to be absent 2 weeks.

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Wed'y June 12th }
Thursday " 13th }
The "Dualla" went up river, on the 12th; and passed down early, in the morning of the 13th. I was annoyed, at Ombagho assuming to signal the steamer to stop and take letters. I had letters ready; but, w'd not have thought of sending them off, unless the steamer first whistled.

Friday June 14th }
Sat'y " 15th }
Sabbath " 16th }
Monday " 17th }
Tuesday " 18th }
Have made no entries these days: Have finished copying the Preface for the Benga Grammar;— wrote a long letter to Benj. Gillespie: Small company on Sabbath:— River going down; Dry season; but, damp and chilly:— Beginning to prepare, for the journey to Kângwe and the Lake.

Wednesday June 19th }
Thursday " 20th }
The "Gabon" passed up, on the 19th, and down on the 20th:— The "Gambia" up, on the 20th:— Dark, chilly, misty days.

Friday June 21st }
Sat'y " 22d }
The "Gambia" passed down, on the 21st: On 22d, went, in "[illegible]", with Mary, to Asange Point: Many Frenchmen just at their dinner: Tenaoul and Gazengel about to leave;

and Mr. Dutal taking their place. As I could not enter to their table, Mr. Dutal spread ~~out~~ a little table, with cake & tea & jelly, for Mary and me:- Got 2 half-bags of salt, at Mr. ~~Whitaker's~~ Wheeler's:- Returned with a headache: The "Akele" passed up:- Abrumba, & his crew returned, with Angèlé, as a new employé. Also Elder Hinton and a crew to Asange, to sell things there; and they stopped over Sabbath:- The "Oka" passed up; A letter, by Abrumba, from Mrs. Redding, very much disappointed as Janie (H.) is detained at Gabon.

Sabbath June 23d }
Monday " 24th }
Tuesday " 25th }
Was oppressed somewhat, in the services of the 23d by the disappointment of yesterday:- The "Akele" passed down:- On the 24th, came a large supply of plantains, from Inenga: The "Oka" passed down:- Getting together Mary's clothing &c, for the journey next Thursday:- On the 25th, finished up my last unanswered letters, and arranging for the journey; Concluded to sell Don,- he is so annoying with his howling at bells and singing.

Wed'y June 26th
Thursday " 27th
Friday " 28th
Sat. " 29th
Sabbath " 30th

Sold "Don" to Mbiguia, for $1.00:- Gathering luggage and packing for the journey.

Journey

On the 27th, got together the last items, for the journey; and, after dinner, started, crowded. At Ajomu, stopped to give Njĕgâ 1 axe$^{5.00}$ and 1 bolt cloth$^{5.00}$ = 10.00 trust, for ompavo for 250 pieces (2 x 2):- At Bitâgâ, stopped to let off little Mitâŋĭ:- Past Nguilaka, let off Ngwa, at his town:- At Agonjo's, by 5.30, to let off Njĕgâ, Adzâ, and Ngeme, and to spend the night:- Had a headache. In the evening, paid Agonjo and his 2 crew.

On the 28th, started, with headache, at about 8. A.M., having 5 of my own crew,- the 2 strangers from Talaguga, & 1 passenger from Agonjo:- Ate in the forest, below Goree Island:- At 4.30. P.M., reached Andĕndĕ:- No people at the landing; for, Preparatory Service was not out. Left most of the luggage at Andĕndĕ, and went to stay on the hill. Head still aching. Mbala annoyed me

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by following his wife Mwanyeno, who had to go with Mary to the Hill; but, there was no place for him, in the Girls' House. On the 29th, Mwanyeno sick, and Mbala annoying, wanting to leave immediately for town. I was vexed, and told her to go, and not return. Then, Mbala was humble, and both stayed. Was not able to preach for Mr Good, in the afternoon, for headache:- Mess Allegret & Teisseires very polite, at my arrival and afterward.

On the 30th. All at church. I was weak, from operation of medicine; but, the headache was gone:- Preached, and assisted Mr. Good in the Sacraments; and, in the afternoon missionary Conference, added remarks to Mr. Good's address.

Monday July 1st }
Tuesday " 2nd }
Wed'y " 3rd }
&c

On Sabbath, Azâze had arrived, from Orânga, with a dead enormous male gorilla. I could do nothing about it ~~that~~ day. On Monday, after breakfast, skinned and decapitated the head, and, with Mr. Good's aid, took off the top of the skull, and got

out the brain; but, it was softened,
by the 2 days' journey to Kângwe, and
was worthless for Dr. Morton's ana-
tomical purposes. Nevertheless, I paid
~~[illegible]~~ Azâze the promised $20.-, and added $10.
for his trouble: — In the afternoon, was
going with Mr. Gard to the Factories; but,
Mary was so disappointed that she could not
go, that, as I would not leave her in tears,
~~and~~ I came back to her: — On the 2d, went
to Inenga, to Holt's factory, for a
bargain of cloth with Mr. Demain, and
for guns and kettles & rum for immersing
the gorilla, which I hope to get. Mary went
with me, and was amused at his pets. —
a dog & her 3 puppies; a porcupine, and
chimpanzee: — Returned to a fine dinner,
to wh. Mrs. Gard had invited the 4
Frenchmen: — Mr. Gard was not well,
with an on-coming fever: — Mr. Allegret
was to take a photograph of Mary.
She was dressed, and everything was ready,
when she fell from the porch on a
bench, and bruised her forehead, & head &
thigh. It took a long time to quiet

her; and, in the meanwhile, Bertie Good had his picture taken. Finally, Mary was taken, in 2 sittings:- The Ger. boat had come from Manji, bringing word that the "Eloby" would soon arrive:- At night, Mr. Good sick.

On the 3d. Woke, with a strong impression that Janie H. wd either come today, or be met by us, as we would be on our way down river tomorrow:- Re-arranged our luggage at Andende:- By noon, Mr. Good was worse:- about 2. P. M., Janie H. suddenly appeared, by canoe, from Isanga, having come by steamer "Gabon", on Tuesday night:- Went, in boat, with Janie, & Mary, at once, to get her goods and Iga;- Returned at 7. P. M.. Was so relieved, in my care of Mary, to have Janie back again! She had come by "Eloby" to Manji, and thence by "Gabon" hither. Messrs Allegret & Teisserès had been with Mr. Good all afternoon, and stayed all night: it was a severe attack of malignant Fever.

Thursday July 4th }
Friday " 5th }
Sat'y " 6th }

I Gave up the journey to the Lakes, for the present, till Mr. Good shall be better:- Sent Jamie H., by canoe to Inenga, to get some of her goods forgotten there:- Read books; but did very little, being sleepy from last night. On Friday 5th, was sleepy again, from sitting up at night. Reading "Little Lord Fauntleroy":- Sent Renjogo out, to fish; he caught only a few, which I divided between him and Mary, Bertie, & Iga:- An excitement at night, - 2 Fan caught, at Andende, attempting to kidnap a Fan lad.

On Saturday 6th, felt slightly feverish, with the late nights:- Mr Good's symptoms better:- Feel depressed, and disheartened about many things.

Sabbath July 7th. Preached. Only Mr. Gacon was present, of the whites. Mrs Good with her husband sick; Mr Carmien went in my boat to Lambarene, to call the French doctor. Mary went with me to church: Mr. Carmien returned without the doctor, - who had gone to Manji, with the sick ex-Commandant Labastie :- At Sab. Sch., in afternoon, Sister Bella had a severe cold, and could not be present :- Just at close of Sab. Sch., the new Commandant, Pouillet, called at Andĕndé :- Mr. Good much better; I had given him 2 injections of chicken-soup, in the morning :- Janie H. was late, in the evening, to come to bathe Mary; I depend on her so much.

Monday July 8th }
Tuesday " 9th }
Scripture Reader, Elder Wora & his wife, Kero, had come last week, to get their wages, but Mr Good could not attend to them. They went back on Tuesday. On Monday, Mr Jones, of Hatton & Cookson, was sent for, to consult about means of getting Mr. Good to Manji & thence to Gaboon, on his way to America :- The incident of meeting Ndaka, on the zigzag path down the Hill, as he was coming up, at night on Monday. Mrs Good packing for the journey to America.

Wed'y July 10th
Thursday " 11th
Friday " 12th
Sat'y " 13th
Sabbath " 14th
Monday " 15th
All these days, the 10th & 11th, anxious for the changing symptoms of Mr. Good's disease: the anxious point was that his temperature was still so high. Sent

letters, on Thursday afternoon, to go on Friday morning, by French gun-boat.

On Friday, about 10.30 A.M., after having sent down to Andĕnde Mr. Good's boxes, he was carried, by his people, on a cot, to Andĕnde. Waiting for the "Gambia" to come. Had a short religious service. about noon; they left, on the "Gambia," with Mr. Teisseres, my boat having taken their baggage around to Aguma. Came back to the Hill in the afternoon, all my lonely and sad. On Saty 13th putting away the scattered articles about the house. Had an unpleasant discussion with Janie H., in the afternoon. I thought she had deceived me, about part of her past history.

On Sabbath morning, Janie did not come, in time to dress Mary, and I thought she stayed away on purpose, perhaps vexed with the discussion on Saty afternoon. I preached; but did not feel well all day.

On Monday, the mail came, in the afternoon. Letters from Jenny Gorman, Mrs Ogden, me Reading, and Roberts Louis's Wedding card, which had been mis-sent to Constantinople, Turkey. Another unpleasant discussion with Janie H., about a mosquito net she had lost at Maiji. I thought she deceived me. Packing boxes and making arrangements, for the journey to the Lakes tomorrow. Sister Bella not very well.

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Tuesday 16th July
Wed: 17th "
Thursday 18th "
Friday 19th "

Preparing, for the journey to the Lakes. - Sister Bella not well; Left her at Kāngwe - Final arrangements, at Andĕndĕ, for the journey.

At night, Mr. Gacon seized, from Dakar village, the body of a hippo he had shot, at noon near Inenga, & wh. the Dakar people had appropriated.

Early on the 16th, at Andĕndĕ. Excitement about the hippo. Started at 8. A.M., with Mr. Gacon. The Dakar people wanted us to stop, for they had called the commandant, & a priest was with him. The people were very angry. The Commandant went on to Andĕndĕ, & we went on our way. Slow paddling by my 6 people. It was 12 o'clk when I stopped, to change to oars. At 1. P.M., stopped at Avayá's, to eat, and to take Awpakumba as guide :- Stopped at Yongwe's, at Owumbuyamo who gave me part of a leg of a goat :- On, into the Lake. Tried to urge the crew, so as to reach Okendo's before dark. They seemed too fagged or indifferent; so, we stopped, at dusk, on a little sandy cove of an island, a few miles from Okendo's. Romantic camp. A long, & very satisfactory talk with Janie H. by the camp-fire.

On the 17th rose early, &, on to Okendo's. Received by his people. Osanwamani, was away; & Okendo was near & was called. The people of the village had expected us, & Osonwamani had built a house for me :- After Okendo came, we arranged the goods, & house & tent.

Mr. Gacon went to hunt; signs of gorilla's were seen, but no animal.

On the 18th. We ~~all~~ both went; but saw no signs, except of pigs :- but no ~~animals~~ gorillas. In the afternoon, we ~~all~~ both & my men went again, & Ogula saw a gorilla. At night fixed my shot-gun with [illegible] bullets, for the hunt tomorrow. A long chat with Janie

H., at night. On the 19th. Mr Gacon rose early, & started at 5. A.M. with 3 men. I followed an hour later, in the boat with 4 other men. We came on fresh signs of gorillas, & Ogula & Mr. Gacon saw a female & child; but they escaped. Afterwards, we came to the place where they all had slept, probably 20 of them! — Resting in the afternoon, — reading & writing up this diary

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Sabbath " 21st
Monday " 22d

Rose at 3. A.M. of the 20th & we all went to a new place, where a gorilla had been heard. I was dissatisfied with the plan of going to that place. I wished to go where we were yesterday. After a fruitless search, we went to yesterday's place: divided into 2 parties, but found nothing. I got tired & left, going to the beach, & walked around to the boat, & we all came back to the village. I had a headache. In the afternoon, Mr Gacon went out by himself, & saw an eagle and a big baboon. News had come, a day or so ago, about the Commandant's decision, at Kângwe, in the hippo matter, with the Dakar people. Also, heard the "Gambia" had returned from Mayji leaving Mr Good at Mayji. On Sabbath the 21st heard ~~to~~ Mr Good had obtained passage, from Mayji for Gabon. Held preaching. A woman fainted in the village, making some confusion. In the evening, people dancing & drumming, to drive away the spirit of a recently dead slave, who they said was vexing another woman. Monday. Mr. Gacon & company went, about 6. A. M., to look after a gorilla that was heard, but they came back fruitless. A flying squirrel was shot by Mr. Gacon. An iguana caught by the town boys. Mr. Gacon went hunting in afternoon by himself. Bigman came to visit me.

Tuesday July 23d
Wed.y " 24th
Thursday " 25th
Friday " 26th
Saturday " 27th
Sabbath " 28th

Ogula and Osoamami went, before daylight, far away all day, to hunt for gorilla, in a new place, near where the Mpongwe man Ogula is trading:- Mr. Gacon, in afternoon, went with Ent, to look for hippopotamus: he came back late, with 3 pelicans he had shot, at the Bird

Islands:- Osamwanumi had returned, but unsuccessful:- Arranging for leaving tomorrow:- Made gifts to Osomwanami; but he was not grateful.

On Wed. Jy 24", Loading up the boat:- At the Bird-Islands, stopped for dinner, and stayed all the afternoon, resting; as I had a headache. Mr Gacon hunted for egrets; he got none, but shot 6 pelicans, the feathers of wh. Jamie N. kept, and the ~~at~~ meat the crew dried:- Mary enjoyed bathing in the lake, from a sandy beach:- At night, she was dissatisfied ~~as~~ she was away from me,- as she slept in the tent with Jamie N. and Iga.

On Thursday 25", passed on, starting late, as Mary slept late; stopped at Ngâwa's village of "London", to embark him, and eat dinner: a miserably small village. Stopped at Ntyuwa (where formerly Dave and Ajiva lived) to try to buy foodstuffs.

The boat was very crowded; for, my legs, and my right knee I had hurt a few days ago, was very sore and inflamed.

Out in the Ogowe, met Remando, who said he had just come from Kângwe, and had left sister Bella sick there.

Reached Yongwe's village of Elovi, after dark, at 7. P.M.: Was cordially received and entertained: Just before supper, a chill came on me, and I did not sleep well ~~at~~ night. On Friday 26, was weak and stiff: Sick women came to me, for medicine: Several former Kangwe employees came to salute me: Was too weak from the chill, to hold the rudder. Mr Gacon held it. The crew pulled outrageously slowly. I was exceedingly vexed at Nkolu, the stroke oar. ~~Bei~~ Stopped at Awaiyo's village, to take on Iwofambe, whom I had let go to town, to sleep over-night: Still slow pulling. The crew were not insolent, but simply silently disobedient: Finally, at 11.45 reached a good olako, for dinner. Hasted our dinner; and, at 1.30, P.M., started again. I took the rudder, and warned the crew, ~~at~~ I would not sleep on the way, even if ~~they~~ did not reach Kangwe till midnight. Then they pulled very well, all the afternoon. Passed the factories at 5.30 P.M. The "Dualla", "Akele", "Pygmee", and "Gambia" at anchor: Mr Smith again at Agemna: Reached Andende, by 6.30.

after discharging the larger things, left Jacob in charge, and went on to the Hill, whither Jamie H. had preceded with Mary:– Found sister Bella quite sick in bed; bilious congestion of the liver, and heavy cold had settled in the glands of her throat:– On Saturday 27th; sent to the Factories, to inquire about steamers &c. My knee, quite painful, but I went to Andĕndé, to look over my luggage, to see if it was all rightly stowed away.

On Sabbath 28th, preached: a pretty good congregation:– Sab. Sch. in afternoon:– Sister Bella better: began to consider the possibility of leaving her, so as to go on to Talaguga on Wed. 7.

On Monday 29th, Samuel, Nkola and Avokenda deserted, leaving me rather short of numbers for a crew to Talaguga:– Ombagó's mother, and other Igenja women arrived, on a journey from their village:– Sent again to the Factories, for news about steamers. Feel disconcerted at the unreliability of these people, & the uncertainty about the Mission, & its future.

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" Friday 2d
" Sat. 3d
" Sabbath 4th
" Monday 5th
" Tuesday 6th

Preparing for the journey to Talagouga: In the afternoon of [illegible], at Andende, arranging boxes. At night, went to Andende, to fix the thatch shed over the stern of the boat.

Started on Wed. 31. Left Sister Bella still with Mr & Mrs Hill Andende at 8.15. A.M.; No difficulty in getting around sand-bars, at old Agwma:- Stopped, at Azyingo Fetish Point, at 12.15, for dinner. Started again at 2.15. P.M. Crew pulled admirably; all up along the Ogowe river; At 6.30. P.M. stopped, on a sand bar past Island Fulany, but below Gone island: A canoe, from Aguilaka, brought word from Agonjo that his child was sick. An hour later, himself, wife & child stopped, on their way down. He went on for night.

Thursday August 1st. Started at 7. A.M. [illegible] dinner at Belambila, stopping at 11. A.M. Started again, at 1.30. P.M. Splendid pulling. Stopped at Agonjo's, & saw the 3 Fan boys: stopped again, at [illegible] friend. At 6. P.M. stopped, for the night, on the Aguilaka sand-bars. Nyanda & Awalo from the shore came over to see us. A shower of rain at night.

Friday Aug. 2d. Started at 7. A.M., slow progress, because of Odimbwenda's poor guiding of rudder. At. 11. A.M., ate in the forest, past Nkogo, but below Kere-lolo. Started again at 1.30. P.M. Warm afternoon, stopped at 5. P.M., at Antyuwa's.

Sat'y Aug. 3d, Started at 8. A.M.: at Talaguga by 11.30. All well: Loss of 1 kitten and 1 female duck:- Acct. of Fan trespassing, & Elder Abumba's efficient stoppage of them: The little Fan boy rescued from witchcraft murder. On Sabbath, a large Fan delegation present. The "Oka" and "Brazza" passed up. On Monday, a crew of 4, to Njomu, for thatch,- 1 at washing boat,- 1 at aid to clothes washing,- Elder Abumba carpentering with me. On Tuesday,- a crew of 3, to Asange,- 1 at boat, & 1 as aid to [illegible] [illegible] bread-making Boy [illegible].

Wed'y, ~~July~~ Aug 7th
Thursday " 8th
Friday " 9th
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Sabbath " 11th
Monday " 12th
Tuesday " 13th
Wed.dy " 14th
Thursday " 15th
Friday " 16th

On the 7th sent Elder Abumba, with a crew, to Kângwe for sister Bella:- A large lot of igimwa came, far more more than I needed. Bought only 200. Antyuwa, grave H.i half-brother ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] came to free her:- On the 8th, came Fan with a large lot of plantains, of which I bought 30:- All these days, some house-cleaning was going on:- One day, heard, by a canoe of Gaboons, that Mbala had arrived at Kângwe from Orânga, & that Rev Mr. Brun (expected at Kângwe) would probably not come:- On Sabbath, 11th, had a good assemblage in chapel, in the morning; & a solemn conversation with Jamie H., in the evening.

On Tuesday 13th, Bought some more manga meat:- On Wed'y 14th, in the afternoon, had, for more than 3 hours, a long conflict with Mary, who had tried to hide something from me, & who would not speak for an hour, nor even then tell me what it was. I controlled myself, & was not severe on her. But, finally she yielded; & then she came to supper, which we had begun to eat without her.

On Thursday 15th, about 1 1/2. P.M. came Sister Bella, very sick, unable to walk from her boat:- Mr. Wheeler of Asange had come, about 11. A.M., to get some provisions, his own being exhausted:- In the afternoon, took Mary, bathing in the Ogove at the old landing.

On Friday 16"; Prepared one of the out-houses, for the reception of a new supply of provisions, soon expected, which. I rec'd the bills of yesterday, in the mail that came by Sister Bella; the mail was (Besides local letters):- Mrs Patton May 6"; son Charley May 4"-21"; Miss Todd May 30"; Alex & Christie June 3"; ~~Bi...~~ son William June 6"; Brother William June 11".

Saturday 17" } Sister Bella still sick:-
Sabbath 18" } In the afternoon, sent out
Monday 19" } Elder Abumba, ~~with the net~~ to buy eggs & fowls at any price; also, with the net, to try and catch some fish. He returned with 5 eggs, no fowls & 3 fish. Sister enjoyed the fish very much.

On the Sabbath, I had a bad headache, did not preach in the morning. Elder Abumba held a service:- Oyembo was at church; but, traveled down river in the ~~morning~~ afternoon.

[The Fan pursuit, & my, [illegible] rescue of the pursued, on my grounds, on Saturday] (Also, on Saturday, [Talaguga] (August 1891) (100)

there passed up a kongongo, with Mr. Smith of Agenwa]. On Monday, Mr. Smith passed down, & stopped to take letters:- Painting the "Hatty Howard" inside, as, last week, it had been painted outside. Sister Bella better:- Mary enjoys very much her afternoon bath, in the Ogowe.

Tuesday, Aug. 20th
Wed. " 21st
Thursday " 22nd } On the 20th, Agonjo came, & paid him his wages in full, for July & August:- On the 21st, Janie H. went with Agonjo, as far as Njomu, to see her brother Antyuwa: On the 22nd, sent Londo & 3 other crew, in canoe, to Kangwe, to get the box from America containing the shoes for Mary, wh. I suppose is lying at Lambarene: In the afternoon, in [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] at [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] from [illegible]: A chilly, dark day.

Friday Aug. 23rd, wrote a long letter to Brother Wilson: At 5.30 p.m. came back Elder Akenda, with the "[illegible]", which had gone with him, in the morning, to bring back Janie H. from her visit to her brother at Njomu. The boat was leaking badly, having struck on a sunken log.

Saturday, Aug. 24th
Sabbath " 25th

Pâ[illegible] was sick, and Janie H. went on to the Hill, to make medicine for her: took Mary, in the afternoon, to her usual bath by the little beach, at the old [illegible]: writing a letter to [illegible] [illegible]. On Sabbath, [illegible] [illegible], Mr Pegue, & quite a number of [illegible] at church: refused Elder Alumba the use of Janie H's pestle & mortar, because he had taken it without permission [illegible], & had not returned it.

Journey.

Monday, Aug. 26th
Tuesday " 27th
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Thursday " 29th
Friday " 30th
Sat. " 31st

On the [illegible] annual preparing for the [illegible] Evening to Bitâgâ: [illegible], the morning and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], to [illegible]; and Elder [illegible] being sick, he was not able to help with getting baggage & loading the boat: so, we started late, at 1.45 P.M., instead of 12 M. as it should have been: Reached Bitâgâ, at 4.15 P.M.; [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], an [illegible]:

There [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] was so low that the boat would not be able to [illegible]; [illegible], [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible] [illegible]. Nevertheless, I succeeded in entering a short distance, found a good camp-ground, hastily discharged the boat, and sent it back to the town, where Bitâgâ [illegible] is staying at night.

Ondo, with his canoe & Ikaeyi [illegible] #45, supposed to contain her new shoes, arrived at Bitâgâ, shortly after I did. Ondo immediately went out with the net, and, in an hour, returned with fish.

By 7. A. M. of the 28th, [illegible] Bitâgâ came, to the camp in the boat, [illegible] [illegible], but [illegible] [illegible], though with a mosquito-net, for, Jane H., with the 2 children, was [illegible] [illegible] their tent, & the children could not sleep. [illegible] came twice or [illegible] not as many as [illegible] [illegible] occasion. The crew eating and sleeping; the children playing, flinging stones in the water, & sailing their boats. I sent to the Trading-house, and borrowed a mosquito-net. The 29th was a repetition of the 28th; except that, at night, we slept better. Etinda came, & engaged to sell some chickens, and

~~engaged~~ presenting at one sitting two. (Perhaps this was on the 28th). On the 29th, I had a bad headache: Ombagə was very troublesome and disrespectful. Punished him; but he continued his misconduct. In the morning, Mbigino [illegible] brought [illegible] 6 ft snake. The others succeeded in fishing it. [Rain on the night of the 28th] On Friday 30th, the boat ~~came~~ to the camp was loaded up, and left the Lagoon, about 8.30. A.M. At [illegible] journey, by 10. A.M. stopped at Jumie H.'s brother's, for dinner; but he was not there; went on to Njegâ's, to inquire about my ox-pavo; and then, on to an olako, in the forest, for dinner: Reached Talaguga at 4.30. P.M. Found all well: The canoe with Ando, arrived less than an hour later: Discharging, and putting things away. In A.M. of 31st, on lake; [illegible] of one of 5 [illegible] ox-pavo: Also [illegible], to Njoli villages exhorting: Opened the #45 box & found many shoes, and other gifts, from Uncle [illegible]; the [illegible], & Mary's [illegible] from: Ombagə still [illegible]

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(September)

[Talaguga]

here: sent letters to brother William and to Jenny [illegible], by a passing [illegible] canoe.

September 1st, Sabbath
" 2d Monday
" 3d Tuesday
" 4th Wednesday
" 5th Thursday
" 6th Friday
" 7th Saturday

Have [illegible] made [illegible] and this [illegible] [illegible] sound. On boys [illegible] [illegible] ing pay, [illegible] go to Kangwe in a week: [illegible] he is still insolent, does not [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] Bella was taken ill, [illegible] [illegible] kitchen, to [illegible] [illegible] in her room, and, practically, [illegible] her support, in his misconduct! [illegible] been [illegible] and going to [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] more [illegible] on the [illegible] at 2 for $1.00: making an odds of [illegible]: cutting sticks for the roof of the Chapel: The water began to rise on Sept 1; and has been steadily rising since. And, on Wednesday, there was rain with some thunder and lightning. A very early beginning of the Rainy Season! Mary has been having a slight cold, for more than a week. On Thursday she gave up her playing, & on Friday, was [illegible] all day, with a heavy cold: On Friday [illegible] came with relatives of Akanda & [illegible] stopped, [illegible] their own clo[illegible], & [illegible] [illegible] asked [illegible] [illegible] letters. They took the package and a [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible], so extravagant in the prices they asked for their [illegible] and ground nuts, that I distrusted their honesty, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to trade to them.

Sabbath, Sept 8th
Monday " 9th
Tuesday " 10th
Wed'y " 11th
Thursday " 12th
Friday " 13th

. Did not sleep well, on night of Sat'y; for, I had had a misunderstanding with Jane H., in the evening, & I felt troubled about it:– The weather cold and damp on Sabbath.

Journey. On Monday 9th, promptly at work closing boxes, loading boat & canoe, & left Anyĭkă, Etenda, & Londo in charge:– Elder Abumba, with his wife, & Mbala & Ombago, started, in canoe, in advance:– The "Oka" passed up:– After early dinner, started in boat with 6 crew, & sister, & my family. Kept admirable time, of exactly an hour each, to Sâwjâla, Njomu, 'Kere-volo, Ompomi-Insa, and Agonjo. Arrived, in advance of Abumba.
Left most things in the boat: arranging beds for night:– Mary's cold better:– Enjoyed supper:– Did not sleep very well; for, Mary crowded me in bed in her restlessness.

On Tuesday 10th. Anniversary of death of my

first wife; also, of my first entrance to
the Ogowe:- Ate, in the forest, where the
children found vines to swing on, and roots
on which to climb and sit:- At Andĕndĕ
by 5.30:- Long time in discharging, and
waiting, while the crew carried the goods
to the Hill. None of Mr. Good's people volunteered to help, except
Ndaka, and Ogula:- It was dark, 8. o'clk,
when I reached the Hill. Some confusion
about the boxes of food and bundles of
bedding. Ate hastily; and, at 9. P. M., left
Andĕndĕ, with 4 crew, for German Factory,
to get milk & flour from my goods lying
there: Mr Koflany was helpful and obliging.
Back again, to the house on the Hill, by
12 midnight. All of Wed. 7, was
writing up, in their proper books from Mr.
Good's notes, the Minutes of Session of
Igenja, and the Roll of Class of Igenja.
In afternoon, went to get the missing
bundles of bedding, & other things at
Andĕndĕ:- Abumba and crew had
gone on down to Igenja, in the morning.
Continued writing;- Sent some letters by
govt. mail: also a letter to Mr.
Drake, of Holt's at Sette Camma:-
In the evening, packing my clothing with

Janie H's did :- Went to bed late.

On Thursday 12th, Rose early :- My crew of 4, and one new one (Agâwe & Jemba, I left to help at Kângwe) came early, to carry down luggage, to the boat :- Mary petulant, & she made me, an unhappy memory in leaving, as she feared discipline :- Janie H's tears :- Left at 8. A.M. :- At Aveya's by 11.30 A.M. :- Talk with him; & A Wombâliye elder with his nice little child. Plans for gorilla hunt in October. Stopped at Elove, for Elder Yongwe, who accompanied in his canoe :- Saw Rimbwe, at Orânga :- Canoe of fantastic women with Renjogo, on a dance excursion. At Igenja, by 5.30 P.M. Had had many troubled thoughts, on the way, about Mary & Janie H. :- Welcomed by Wora, Abumba, Mângiaina, and others :- Wora's comfortable room, & easy bed :- Agreeably disappointed, that there were no mosquitoes, (they were bad, day & night, last March.) Yongwe arrived, in time for prayers :- Went to my room early, but read till 9.30 P.M. At night slept well.

On Friday 13th, Prayers in the church :- Visits of welcome, from Pâwa, Kera, Ntyeri, Renjogo, & his little girl who was not afraid of me, but smiled :- Taking gifts of ijuma for money

Concert:- Bought eggs, for taking to Mary:- Lads & young men coming to read & spell:- Going over the Roll of the Class, with Wora, to verify their names and standing:- Read; and looked over the Minutes of Wômbâliya.

A warm pleasant day. Had expected to have Session-Meeting, in the afternoon. But, no people have yet come in from the other villages; and I am not willing to examine the very young members of the Class; who are the only ones as yet present. About 5. P. M. Mr. Allegret came in his boat, & with his crew. He brought me a letter, from Sister Bella, & "notes" from Mary & Iga. I felt somewhat relieved of my anxiety,— about Mary.

Sat'y Sept. 14th } Feel disappointed that people
Sabbath " 15 } have not been gathering in.

Had begun Session-meeting, last night (Friday): continued, with a few persons on Sat'y A. M. Declined to enrol, in Class, small boys, or to examine for baptism boys, or any young men, or women, who were not making faithful effort to learn to read:- Was disappointed, in afternoon, that the women did not come to the prayer-meetings. Reva's father sick: visited him, and a sick member of Ikoi:- Rejoiced at Mâmbâ's return to the church.

On Sabbath, during the opening services of church, the wail was raised, in the adjoining village, over the sudden death of Kava's father:- A bright warm day:-

Monday Sept. 16:

Rose with a sick-headache:- James and his wife Dombinla, in consultation with me. He wants to put her away, - but has no proper reason:- The dead man of yesterday was buried this morning:- Londo (Daniel) came to see me, about his offenses against the church for wh. he was to have been summoned, but he was not here on Sab.y:- Mr Allegret left about 12.30, for Orânga and the Lakes.

In the afternoon, several woman, Yitangino, Kulembembe, and Osaonguayâñi, came to see me, & try to read, or talk about reading: Mângiavia arranging, about coming to work at Talaguga with me:- Had headache still at noon, & did not eat dinner, - only drank tea.

Tuesday Sept. 17: Rose early. Headache only little better:- ~~Boys~~ Crew prompt about loading up:- Just as I was ready to start, saw the "Akele" of "Duallas", in the distance down river. Waited for them, hoping for letters. But, the "Duallu", as it passed, said there was no mail. Think there must be some mistake:- Started, near 9. A.M:- Stopped at Olambageno, & heard the reading & spelling of 3 members of the Class. Remondo and his little wife:- On to ~~St~~ "Liverpool," & ate dinner; & taught 3 members of Class. One was Wora, of Orânga, who, against Awângjâwo's wish, asked for (& got) passage with me to Orânga:- On to Lâmba; but, there were no members of the Class there. All the people in the villages are away, cutting their gardens,- having left them late:- A strong wind came up, & some rain:- At Orânga, by 4.30 P.M. Bought eggs, bush-rope, and plantains. Taught 3 members of the class, at night,- all of them women.

Wed. 7 Sept. 18:

Left Orânga early. Mwanâgo gave me a fresh fish:- Stopped at Ngomu, & taught several Class-members, who were visiting there:- Azâza followed me from his town, and was vexed ~~at~~ I had not stayed with him:- Passed on to Aningoanco, & ate dinner there. Enjoyed the fresh fish. No class-members were there. People late in their garden-cutting:- Came on to Izyina.- Elder Ntyanga was not at home. Taught one woman, a young mother, wife of Mbogo, Shortly after I left, met Ntyanga coming down from "England":- The "Oka" passed up:- On to "England". Was not pleased with the dirty-looks of the town. Taught 2 class-members:- Was surprised to see Agonjo's people there: do not know why he has come so early:- On to Elobi. Taught 2 lads:- The women did not think they could learn:- A tin of bread & letter from sister Bella was handed me there. It had come by Agonjo:- Felt anxious, about Nody; even though Bella's letter said she was well:- Established myself at Orimbiano, in Anbamani's house:- People coming to salute:- Odimbosuka's sister:- Allowed Anpamba to go across river, for 3 days. Feel lonely this evening; but am well.- free from my headache.

Thursday Sept. 19th. Took a good bath last night, and clean clothes this morning:- Wrote letters to sister Bella, Jamie H., Mary, & Gay to have them ready when the messenger

with the Communion bread, comes tomorrow:-
Wrote also a letter to be sent down river
to Nubora at Nkâmi:- Children and members of the
Class coming, to be taught to read:- Agonjo
came, & explained about his having
come so early from his post. Njĕgâ and
Adzâ were with him:- Mended a weak
place in the boat, in the afternoon:- A
bright pleasant day:- Heavy rain at night.
River rising rapidly:- Sat up late, reading the story in the Phila "Press", of the
terrible disaster of the flood at Johnstown
in Pennsylvania:- Could not sleep, for a
long while, with thoughts of the little children
drowned, & the agony of parents,- and I
thought of my little Mary under similar
circumstances.

Friday Sept. 20. An eye-worm attacked
my right eye last night: a little better
this morning:- A French gun-boat passed
up, this morning:- Elders Mâinbâ, Remontyo,
& Jongwe came, but no applicants for
baptism had yet gathered from the villages:
so there was no formal meeting of Session:-
only a revising & examination of the
Class-Roll:- Mr Allegret arrived, at noon:-
Session-meeting late, in the afternoon: but

the applicants are few and very ignorant :- About 7. P.M., came a messenger from Kângwe, with Communion Bread & the Mail; - Letters from Funk & Wagnalls May 10th; from son Will's wife, May -; from Treasurer Dulles, June 13th; Stated Clerk Roberts, June 21st; from Jenny Gorman, June 24th; Dr Gorman, July 1st; Miss Todd, July 2d; Dead Letter Office July 3d; Mr. Reading, Aug 16th; Mr. Brier, Aug. 19th.
Sat up late reading :- Had had a Session-Meeting, after evening prayers :- Heavy rain :- River rising very rapidly.

Sat. Sept 21st. Continued Session-meetings, at intervals, all day, & at night :- Examining applicants as to their reading :- Disappointed ~~at~~, from the Lakes & other quarters; people deliberately stayed away for fishing, or for mournings ~~for~~ over sickness and death :- Aziza & her husband Ogandaga came; she is still ugly-mouthed, about her sins of lying having been exposed by Jamie H :- Applicant for work with me at Talaguga.

Sabbath, Sept. 22d.
Heard mourning, over in Elovi town, - a man there was near to death :- The Elders came late, so ~~the~~ church did not begin till 10. A.M. A bright pleasant day :- Long talk, in evening, with Yongwe & others, about native customs.

Monday Sept. 23d
Tuesday " 24th
Wed'y " 25th
Thursday " 26th

Rose early, on the 23d.; & started for Kângwe:- But Mr. Allegret's boat started a half-hour in advance:- Stopped, at Awupawla's town, for his wife; but she refused to come. Ate, at 11. A.M., in the Ozugavizia creek:- Emerged by Kenge creek, with some difficulty over the sand-bars:- At the Kângwe Hill, by 4. P.M., Came on Mary suddenly, in the parlor, where she had just been copying a letter. Her cry of joy. Went with her, to the bamboo house, and surprised Jamie H.- Had a head-ache, and did not eat much supper.

On Tuesday, entered records and accounts; and went to Andende, to get the church records. Was sleepy, in the afternoon.

On Wed'y. Began to write to Dr. Gowan, in morning; but, was interrupted by the visit of Messrs Gacon, Allegret & Teissères. Was very sleepy again, in the afternoon.

On Thursday, Began writing to Treasr. Dulles.

Friday Sept. 27th
Saturday " 28th
Sabbath " 29th
Monday " 30th

On the 27th; in the morning, took Sister Bella's box, around to H. & Co's factory. And inquire "Death" news at Woermann's:- Began Session Meetings, in the afternoon; & at night. On Saturday, at Session Meetings all day:- At noon, came the mail. (I had heard the "Falaba's" whistle on Friday evening). Mail was (besides the usual local news) & From Mrs W. L. Nassau, of July —; brother William, July 8th; of July 13th, Rev. Dr. J. A. Henry; of July 14th; son Charles; of July 16th (18th) Jenny Gorman with of July 15th, one from brother William; Mission Letter, July 19th; Dr Gillespie, two July —, and July 23rd; Mrs J. E. Robinson, July 26th; and Mary's package of skirt-supporters. A very important mail, requiring me to go to Gaboon:- Sent notes to the English & German Factories, inquiring about passage to Gaboon:- Decided it was necessary to first go to Talaguga, on Monday:- & Sent a note by Remandi, in evening, to French Factory, to inquire about the launch "Brazza"'s going up river. Remandi feared hippos, lost the letter, & did not report to me immediately, on his return. I was much annoyed at him.

On Sabbath, Communion Service; a pleasant day:- In evening was very tired.

At night, sat up packing, for tomorrow's journey :- Was indignant at Jemba's coming to demand his pay, & give notice of leaving :- On the 30th, was up at 3.30. A.M., and wakened the young men, and sent them with the boxes &c to Andinde, for Abumba there to load up the canoe :- Left the Hill at 5.30 A.M. :- Mary & Anyentyuwe followed soon, & started at 6. A.M.; but had to turn back, shortly afterward, to get Reimonda's forgotten jug of water for Mary :- started finally at 6.30. A.M. :- With 8 paddles, & very little luggage, made splendid progress :- Ate at 10 A.M., at a sand-bar, in sight of Island Factory : and, in the afternoon, a splendid run to Agonjo's house, before 7. P.M. :-

Tuesday Oct. 1st
Wed'y " 2d
Thursday " 3d
Friday " 4th
Sat'y " 5th

On Tuesday, at 7. A.M., started again, & Agonjo with us :- Ate, at 12 noon, at Antyuwa's, at Njomu :- to Njugâli; And thence, to Talaguga, before 5. P.M.

A wonderfully rapid journey !! All safe & well :- Hasty inspection of premises :- And busy paying wages, - supper, - prayers, - washing Mary, - gathering clothing for the journey, and packing. Did not go to bed till 1. A. M. of Wed'y.

On Wed'y, the 2d, up at 4. A. M., and off at 6. A. M.:- Stopped at Njĕgâ's, to give a saw, as trust for ompavo.:- On to Agonjo's by 11. A. M., for dinner: he landed, and Njĕgâ and Adzâ joined the crew:- Wind was opposing; feared storm-clouds; but safely reached Andĕnde before 7. P. M.:- Left Mary with Anyentyuwe, at Andĕnde to eat, and hurried to the Hill, - ate; - and told news:- Back to Andĕnde, - changed clothes; - and started in the boat, for the German house, at 9. P. M. - There by 10. P. M.: Some time in awaking Mr. Kuhtz, - and discharging the boat's luggage on to the "Dualla": Was not pleased at Mr. K.'s trying to put Anyentyuwe into an inferior position.

On Thursday, 3d, up at 5. A. M. Hurried to gather our loose luggage; and off with the "Dualla", by 6.30. A. M.:- Heavy rain & wind; saturated clothes:- Real beginning of Rainy Season, with thunder and lightning. Sat reading, most of the day, in the cabin, with the children. Passed the "Falaba", at Kamanga:- On, at night, into the creek to Nwanji Bay. [illegible] anchored, for ½ hour, waiting for tide to rise:– met the French gun-boat:– "Basilic" slowly and carefully crossed the Bay, over a long sand-bank of 4½ feet of water. Anchored at Manji Post, at 11. P. M. Mr. Kablz went ashore.

On Friday 4th, boat was sent for us, & canoe for our goods, and we were ashore by 7.30. A. M. The steamer from north had come & gone. Capt. Uzaski had arrived, and took charge of "Basilic": which immediately loaded up, and left for Lambarene, at 1.30. P. M.:– Mr. Knoch was kind and obliging at the Manji depot:– Mr. Holst & a young Mr. Harrington, of Holt's, called at night, & spent the evening:– In afternoon, I had gone to the Poste, to see a tame young elephant:– Went to bed early, as I was sleepy and tired; had not slept well for a week.

On Saty 5th, Writing up the diary, and waiting for the expected steamer from the south:– The "Oriso" of disabled gun-boat came.

Sabbath Oct. 6th }
Monday " 7th }
Tuesday " 8 }
Oct. 6th A quiet day; except that visitors, from the other houses, were coming and going.

Monday 7, Finished the long letter to Jenny Gosman, which I began on Saturday. The French man-of-war, "Heron", towing a gun-boat "Saphir":- Mr. Leltz and Mr. Hazenkampff, just returned from Germany, came on their way to the Ogove. Very wet rainy day. Tuesday 8: The "Heron" left for the south:- And, just after noon, the "Saphir" left for the Ogove, ~~with the~~ with Mr. L. & Mr H. as passengers:- A very rainy day: everything damp and chilly:- Enjoyed fresh manatus meat for dinner:- Mr. Fuchs's music on the accordeon, and his tales of his youth and soldier life.

Wed. Oct. 9
Thursday " 10
Friday " 11
Sat. " 12
Sabbath " 13

Waiting, on the 9: In the evening came ~~the~~ the "[illegible]", from the north:- On Thursday A.M., Mr. Deemer discharging a large lot of [illegible] from the "[illegible]" and the "[illegible]", [illegible] in, from the south. A busy day with the steamers: [illegible] visiting ashore: some of them thought I was the trader and wanted to buy absinthe: went off to the "[illegible]" [illegible], started, at 4 P.M. Showery evening. Difficulty to [illegible] proper lighting — [illegible] for the children & Jennie H. [illegible]

drinking and [illegible]. [illegible];
night. Steamer at ½ speed; and, at dawn
[illegible] sighted Gaboon. At anchor, by 8 A.M.
[illegible] 11th, Mr Gault came [illegible] 9 A.M.
[illegible] with a heavy [illegible]. Mrs Bush, at the
beach, & Mr. Russell met us, as we
came up the path. Waited long for the
baggage; and then, had to go, after dinner,
to the steamer, & thence ashore to Dumas
Beach, for my lost box: then, finally, I
bathed. Read my mail: Letters,—
Sister Hannah, July 31st; Dr Cosman Aug. 1st
enclosed in one from Hannah, Aug. [illegible];
Mr. Walls, Aug. 8th; Dr. Cosman Aug. 19th;
Hannah, Aug. 22d; Hannah, Aug. 26th;—
July, 30th, Miss Frances Nassau;— Mrs Pratt
July 13th & 30th;— Aug. 17th; Jenny Cosman;
Miss J. E. Robinson Sept 1st:— Had a bad
sick headache, but sang some hymns, in
the evening, with Rev. & Mrs Bush, Mr.
Russell, and Mr Reading; [illegible]
[illegible]. Very much depressed by
sister Hannah's letters.

12th
~~Friday~~, [illegible]
telegraphed "No" to sister Hannah. Hear
[illegible] work, [illegible] Mr. Reading,
[illegible] and [illegible], to [illegible]

himself retained more in the forenoon [illegible] ; H. privately gave me his opinion [illegible]. In the afternoon of Friday, the Brier had been in at a secret meeting, at [illegible], a telegram was sent Sat. afternoon [illegible] Board, [illegible] Mr. Reading's favor. My [illegible]-ache still bad.

On Sabbath, [illegible] preached in Mpongwe, & Mr. Gault in English, in the [illegible]. A rainy day.

On Monday [illegible] 14th
Tuesday " 15 } Information brought to me, about the meeting, at Mr. Truman's house, on Friday afternoon, & the cablegram sent by Mr. Brier, on Sat. afternoon, from certain of the Baraka people, in Mr. Reading's defence. Also, information about the letter of commendation of Mr. Reading, [illegible] by himself. Also, information about the letter Mr. Reading is [illegible], taking up old slander about the [illegible], a prisoner in my hands at Corisco, [illegible].

On Tuesday As I was chairman, I called Messrs. Gault, Brier [illegible] to explain about the Called Meeting of Mission; [illegible]. Some unpleasant discussion between Mr. Reading and myself.

Wednesday Oct. 16th. Finished letters to Hamilton, [illegible], [illegible], Dr. [illegible], [illegible]. Began the rough draft of a letter, to the Board, about Mr. Reading's doings at Gaboon. In the afternoon, went to the photographer, to make inquiries about a picture, to be taken of [illegible]. Also, at [illegible], to [illegible] about time of a steamer returning to the Ogove. Also, to Hatton & Cookson's, to inquire about the "Falaba" going to the Ogove. Walked with Mr. Allan to the cricket-ground he had ~~[illegible]~~ made, & watched [illegible] and his clerks play ball. Many came running [illegible] [illegible]. Mr. R. has been having great meeting at Adande's and Komanande's; [illegible] has been going about, with his carriage, & [illegible] [illegible] the villages.

Thursday Oct. 17th } Writing up letter to
Friday " 18th } Board, about Mr. [illegible]
Reading. In the afternoon, at 5 P.M., went to play cricket with Mr. Allan. Took dinner with Mrs. [illegible] on Thursday. Friday, [illegible] Our [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Sat'y Oct. 19th } The 19th, [illegible] [illegible] Completed
[illegible] " 20th } the second draft of
letter, [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]; wrote letter to Dr. [illegible]. [illegible] to [illegible], called on Gov. du Chaumes, at [illegible], and [illegible] got milk for Mary; saw Njalale, [illegible]; at Stein's, and [illegible] H. & Co. Back by 5 P.M., to the [illegible] [illegible]. Chatted with Jennie H. [illegible] Moore. On Sabbath, the [illegible] of Owondo, Mr. Brier, &, in afternoon, [illegible] Sch. of Mr. Reading. Private arrangements, by Mr Brier, for [illegible] [illegible] Reading.

Monday Oct. 21st. [illegible] met, about Mr Reading's removal; but waited till 2 P.M. At that time, met, noted the arrival of Mr Brier, & return [illegible]; [illegible] appointment as treasurer, Then, Mr ~~[illegible]~~ R's motion for Auditor passed. Then, [illegible] to write to the Board, [illegible], 1 discussion [illegible] [illegible] at; Mr Reading's requests. In the evening, Mr Brier, & the [illegible] arranging for [illegible] to Mr. Reading and [illegible] to Mr Reading's appointments.

Tuesday Oct. 22d } [illegible]
Wed " " 23d }

[Gaboon] ([illegible]) (127)

[illegible] with the photographer:– [illegible] the extra copy [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible], and [illegible] against [illegible] Reading: On Wednesday, had a [illegible] [illegible] Means (t) Reading and Brier [illegible] [illegible] second [illegible] Gault's motion, [illegible] the meeting; Mr. R. would not recognize Dr. Gillespie's letter [illegible], as [illegible] the meeting, & yet asked me to produce my reply to it, before the meeting, which I refused to do. Adjourned, without accomplishing anything: Ate dinner with [illegible] Sneed; went to the photographer, and had a photograph of a Group, Mary, myself, Jamie H., & Ignace: At Stein's; and bought [illegible] goods for Mary & [illegible]: At [illegible]'s [illegible] Woerman's: Returned to Baraka, and [illegible].

After [illegible]: [illegible] Carried [illegible] I found arrived at Baraka:– [illegible]: Means, Brier and Reading carrying on [illegible] [illegible] their [illegible]

Thursday Oct. 24. The photographic proofs came: & were [illegible]: Paid [illegible] $2.5. [illegible] 4 [illegible]: The bill [illegible] the goods [illegible]

[illegible] and [illegible], [illegible] Mr. Reading, came to the [illegible] that he [illegible] trying to compel him to go to Batanga with Mr. Brier, & [illegible] did not want to go. Jamie H. trying to get her boxes & clothing &c [illegible], away from her [illegible] [illegible] preparations, by Mr. Reading & Brier, for the Funeral [illegible], Jamie H. & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Friday, Oct. 25th
Saturday, " 26th
Sabbath " 27th

On Friday [illegible], [illegible] under [illegible], which I had [illegible], and I had [illegible], to Mr. Brier, [illegible] against [illegible] arrangements he had been making, for a farewell-Sermon to Mr. Reading, for the coming [illegible], &. the evening Mr. Brier called Mrs. Gault & myself aside, thanked us for our friendly [illegible], and [illegible] his future! The conference with him was [illegible] satisfactory.

On Saty. afternoon, while Jamie H. was [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] going to the [illegible] [illegible] said the letter box. I furnished [illegible]

[illegible] fied the case [illegible] for [illegible] too, and found
[illegible] [illegible] called [illegible], to [illegible] that
[illegible] trading had abstracted all the [illegible]
and bills from the treasurer's desk: [illegible]
He returned, and [illegible] [illegible] his effort to
have [illegible] quarters [illegible] removed from the premises
near [illegible] house: [illegible] working with [illegible],
to Mr. Duff's, and was measured for
a [illegible] of clothing:— Heard that the
photographs I had had taken, [illegible]
[illegible], were [illegible]:— Heard that [illegible]
[illegible] the "[illegible] de [illegible]", and [illegible]
[illegible] — [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] dispersed. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] announced to them
that the arrangement of Thursday night,
for a farewell, would not be carried out:
[illegible] with [illegible], to [illegible]
[illegible] repairs were needed, & to look
at the outline of her project.

On Sabbath, The [illegible],
[illegible]
Mr Bur[illegible] & Owendo [illegible]
[illegible]
a parting hymn, addressed to [illegible].

[Gaboon] (Oct. 1889) (127)

On Monday Oct. 28th, The [illegible] came in, [illegible] preparations to depart [illegible] Mr. Reading and the Bruces — In the after-noon a called meeting of the Gaboon mission, but, I did not hear for what purpose: — In the afternoon also, [illegible] Moore [illegible] in the yard, charged [illegible], in the presence of Janie H., [illegible], & Celia, with being one of the company of Gaboon Christians, which had sent the anonymous letter some time ago [illegible] Mr. Reading, to the Board, and that she [illegible] the contents of that paper & names of its signers; also, that those same people were the ones who, at the [illegible] meeting after my arrival here, sent a telegram saying that they had not sent any such letter.

Mr. Reading still has possession of the Treasurer's books and papers.

Tuesday Oct. 29th } The 29th was a rainy day,
Wedy " 30th } and I spent it in writing.

On Wedy, went with Janie H., and the 2 children, & the 2 [illegible] boys, [illegible] & [illegible], on a visit to [illegible] stopped at Mr. Duff's; at the govt. Treasurer's, for a money order; was very indignant [illegible] Janie [illegible] [illegible] with the R.C. Sisters [illegible]

[illegible]

children on the beach, their shells, fish, and other kinds of sailing; the reading time: [illegible] came to dinner, at [illegible]: Back, along the beach: hurt my ankle leaping a brook: At all the three stores:— at the French factory:— At Lajoux's, a long while, trying to buy a cloth for Jane: At Holt's: at Duffe's: at the Photographer: Mary and I very sleepy and tired, at night: went to bed early.

Thursday Oct. 31 } Had Mission-Meeting in
Friday Nov. 1 } the morning; but, nothing was accomplished, the obstructive policy of Messrs Reading and Brier prevailing:— Mr Reading and Njivo left at 10. A.M.:— And Mr & Mrs Brier left at 3. P.M. And the "Kinanga" sailed at 5. P.M. It was such a restful change, [illegible] had public [illegible] Jane & the boys at the photographer's [illegible] Prayers, for the [illegible] and [illegible] ~~On Friday~~ [illegible] alarmed me, playing near the duck-pond.

On Friday, [illegible] this letter, to close the [illegible]: Last night, I had sat up late, [illegible]ifying the contents of the box that came by the "Kinanga", of the order [illegible] [illegible] for Jennie H.: did not feel well. In afternoon, Mrs. [illegible] [illegible] up [illegible] loss of faith in Mr. Reading. — I showed all the contents of the Box of clothing to Jennie H.; and then made her a present of them, five or [illegible] pieces. Pleasant morning and evening prayers.

Sat. Nov. 2d
Sabbath " 3d
Monday " 4th
Tuesday " 5th

} The mail, by French steamer, went on Sat. morning: Choir-meeting afternoon was good: we had used no influences to gather members; but all were there, except Jenny Claxton.

On Sabbath, I preached both parts, in Mpongwe and English. A good audience, not lessened apparently by Mr. Reading's absence; except Jenny & Romanandi & Gertrude were not there. — [On Saturday I had shown Jennie H. her box of clothing that came by "Kisanga"] & she wore some of it on Sabbath. — In the evening, walked on the beach with Susan; saw an ekuekwe company! [On Sat. evening, I had walked with Susan, and Mr. [illegible] had sent word by me, to Mr. [illegible], about the "Falaba" going up in [illegible] [illegible] evening.

were the [illegible] stolen, and clothing [illegible] that had lost their labels, and were unrecognizable. Jennie H. [illegible] afternoon [illegible] Plateau, to see about her property — but some [illegible] are [illegible] — In the evening Mr. Gault had a church ~~session~~-meeting, to examine her, on her application for the removal of her sentence of ~~suspension~~ excommunication.

On Tuesday, I had to wash and dress Mary, as Jennie H. wanted again to go to the Plateau, on the unfinished business of yesterday. A steamer, which was trying to enter the river, and which anchored outside, [illegible] the evening, was not in sight, this morning. [illegible], it was a German steamer, [illegible], and has [illegible] [illegible], and may return tomorrow.

In the morning Jennie H. had gone ~~[illegible]~~ to the Plateau, to see about her property, but was unsuccessful. In the afternoon, [illegible] again, with Mr. Russell, Mary, and myself; paid her tax at the Treasury, went to Mr. [illegible] [illegible] as [illegible] [illegible] of him. [illegible] it was a mistake to have gone there. To the [illegible].

[Gaboon] ([illegible]) (131)

[illegible]
paper was given [illegible],
to ~~[illegible]~~ act for her, in the [illegible] and
protection [illegible] On the way
back, at [illegible] & Battanm[illegible], for a
hat; but, got none; but, at B's, got some
sheets of copper, for sheathing oars;
On to Mr. Dupré in the German [illegible]
carriage & Rev. Ibia at Baraka; a
talk with Jennie H., in the [illegible].

Nov. 6th, Wedy.
" 7th Thursday
" 8th Friday
" 9th Saturday
" 10th Sabbath
" 11th Monday
" 12th Tuesday
" 13th Wedy.

On the 6th, at 8. A.M., came in the "Ella Wöermann"; &, at 9. A.M., the "Lulu Bohlen", both from Eloby where there was small-pox, & both were put in quarantine. As I had ~~expected to go south~~, to Cape Lopez, by the "Ella," I went down to Wöermann's, to inquire. Was to be told finally, after 2. P.M.;– At 10. A.M., the "Bonny" came in. Waited till 3. P.M., for information: suddenly, saw both German steamers leave the harbor. Went to Wöermann's again, & found ~~on~~ the vessels were forbidden to stop any where in French territory. The govt. wd. not allow its own

Kroomen (more than 50) nor 4 white men (and then a priest) to land:– Arranged to ~~to~~ go to Cape Lopez, on the "Bonny". Hurrying to get ready: urging Janie H. to be ready in time; but, she was slow; &, even at 11. P.M., she came to get a box for her hats.

On Thursday 7th, up by 5. A.M.: my goods off with the Kroomen, at, 7. A.M.: and myself with Mary, Janie H., Iga, & the 2 Fang boys, at Mr. Lutz's, by 7.30. A.M., where he and Mr. Liebcke very kindly & politely had 2 boats ready, one for our baggage, and one for ourselves:– On board the "Bonny" by 8. A.M.: paid passage £15., for all 6 of us:– Capt. Glasscock of the "Bonny", & the doctor and Purser very attentive, though the sea was not rough, yet I ate no dinner: The Capt. had never been at Cape Lopez, & did not go fast: so he anchored, after dark, in sight of Manji.

On Friday 8th, the "Marie Woermann" entered the harbor, in advance of us. And the "Nubia" shortly after:– Young Mr. Davis, of Holts:– To the "Marie Woermann", in a Frenchman's boat:– There met Mr. Knack, who took me ashore: Returned, with Agumé and his luggage, to the "Marie

"Ewoewemi", & left him there, and thence to the "Bonny", for my people & their things:- Ashore, by 10. A. M.:- Mr. Kuckde the Capt of "Mava (Saïnmaïn" busy all day loading ebony:- All three steamers left this day, - the "Mava" at 10. P. M. - The ~~[illegible]~~ "Duala" was there at anchor. On Saty 9th, the "Ovvio" came from Ogowe:- At 5. P. M., we all left, on the "Duala". Anchored, at night, in the creek. On Sabbath 10th, on up the river; stopped, for wood, at Kamandanga. At night, anchored past ~~A~~ Ngaamba. On Monday 11th, stop- at Igenja, for wood, saw Wora, Mânli, Rengwera, Lando (Daniel), and others. On, past Orângâ: passing England-town, saw okukwe dancing: passing Eloi, saw Yongwe; passing Avaya's, saw him and Azija:- At the German Factory, by 6. P. M.:- Paid Mr Kuhtz $24. Mr. Herbert, - Mr. Raspé, - Capt Uzarski. A Kongongo was given us, but it leaked badly; and there were 8 Krumen to paddle, & the Kongongo lay low in the water; the current very strong; the night dark and threatening. I was alarmed, Stopped at Hatton & Cookson's, - saw Mr Smith for a little while, - and walked around to the head of the island, sending the canoe on ahead. In "Eyĕndĕo's" town, Mary attracted a great deal of attention. While waiting for the canoe to come around, Ombĕga, a church-member, politely offered us a house, for the night; but, we went on, to get to our journey's end:- At Andĕndĕ, 7 8 P.M. Mr. Allegret got us supper: beds were made up for us. Rain at night.

On Tuesday 12th, after breakfast, went up on hill, with our baggage. Had headache all day:- On the 13th. In morning, gave the French brethren acct. of the Gaboon meeting. In the afternoon, went, in "Montclair", to Holt's, with 3 of our Provision boxes, which were left there:- Then, down to Woermann's, & saw my 2 casks #26, and #28. Got the 2 ~~boys~~ women some thing they wanted. Returned, after dinner, to Kângwe. Have sat up late talking, for two nights.

Thursday Nov. 14th
Friday " 15th
Saturday " 16
Sabbath " 17th
Monday " 18

On Thursday, expected notification from Mr Deeming about the "Eniro", but none came, till 5 P.M.

after a heavy rain-storm in the afternoon: was [illegible] very sleepy all day: Hastled to get baggage ready: Only 5 crew; and long time for them to go & return to the water-side and the Hill: called the 3 little boys, i.e. Ogula, and 2 others, to help carry. Left the Hill at 8.30 P.M. & Andende at 9.30 for Inenga. Night dark; current strong; crew slow. Did not reach [illegible] till 10.30. P.M. He received us very cordially, & gave us the best of his lodging. On the way, Njegâ, holding the lantern over the boat, to show the way, went to sleep, and lost the lantern in the water.

Up at 5.30. A.M. of Friday, and off on the "Ovino", [illegible] 6.30. A.M.:- A good journey: Many felt at home, though the vessel was small:- Near Aguilaka, took on board Mr. Wheeler of Avanga ~~[illegible]~~, who had been a captive by the Fan of Aguilaka, and who had just escaped: Stopped, for the night, at Fura, opposite [illegible], at the house of Antyuwe-Kâkâ: Rose early on Saturday 16th, and on the "Ovino" again for Talaguga, which was reached at 1.30. P.M.: [illegible] Putting [illegible] away, and looking at [illegible] welcomes: On Sabbath Nov. 17th, there were no [illegible] at church, but 2 canoes from [illegible] just after we had dispersed. Abumbo addressed them, in the Prayer-Room: On Monday, the "Oviro" came down river, and [illegible] at Mpaga's, at 7.30 A.M. I went out in 2 canoes, taking along my stove, to be sent to [illegible] for sale. And brought from the "Oviro" some 5 cases of my provisions, which had been left at Lembarene: Busy all day, identifying boxes, and stowing them away; and opening some boxes of food &c:- At 4 P.M., paid their monthly wages to the young men, who had been keeping station while I was in Gabon.

Tuesday Nov. 19th
Wednesday " 20th
Thursday " 21st
} All these three days opening boxes, - entering accounts, - repairing houses and paths:- Mary has not been well, - she is cutting some lower molar teeth;- River is high, almost on to the front path.

Friday Nov. 22nd
Saturday " 23rd
Sabbath " 24th
Monday " 25th
} Made no entries all these days; Busy at jobs, and entering memoranda of the last three

months: On [illegible], sent [illegible] to Asange, with Mrs. Wheeler's kerosene, & to ask an estimate of the selling-price of the expensive Liverpool undershirts and handkerchiefs: The "Jeanne-Louise" passed up. In afternoon, [illegible], the "Duella" whistled; sent off the large freight canoe, & it brought a barrel of [illegible]; the captain seemed vexed at my crew, because they had not come with a larger canoe, to hold also a cask of [illegible], & said something about landing it next day.

On Sabbath, there were 30 Fan present: The "Duella" came, while we were in meeting, did not whistle, [illegible] ask quietly the cask of lanterns, which I let lie there, at the landing, till next morning. On Monday, at various jobs: The "Oka" passed up: sent word to it, to please to stop, [illegible], on Tuesday

Tuesday Nov. 26th }
Wednesday " 27th } Went off, in the big canoe, on Tuesday, about 8. A.M., with 3 [illegible] & a wardrobe & [illegible]; [illegible] them in Mr. [illegible]'s [illegible] for the "Oka":

On the 27: bought iguana (had bought also on the [illegible]): a good supply now of native food: In the afternoon, went to the Hill-house, and helped pull the kitchen straight with block & tackle;

Avogado pears and mango plums, and cut down a [illegible] tree (the very first one that grew at Talaguga): it was too near the house; and cleared away [illegible] forest trees, & planted 2 [illegible]. [illegible] was with me, [illegible] than 2 hours.

Thursday Nov. 28th }
Friday " 29th }
Sat. " 30th }
Think it was on the 28th that I opened the boxes of clocks, which are wanted very much by my people:- Sister packing her boxes for America; wrote letter to Rev. Mr. Brown, Mrs. Allegret, and Mrs [illegible] of Detroit: A boil was hurting me on my leg:- On Sat., at 1 P.M., the "Adela" came, & anchored; Mr. Allan came ashore with Mr. Gacon, - sent off some trunks, by Mr. Allan, of sister's things, - engaged to sell Mr. Allan my stove; - Mr. Gacon looking at [illegible] [illegible].

Sabbath Dec 1st, A collection of over 50 people at church; the "[illegible]" gone down river, about 6. A.M.: A pleasant day.

Monday Dec. 2nd
Tuesday " 3rd
Wed'y " 4th
Thursday " 5th
Friday " 6th
Sat'y " 7th
Sabbath " 8th

Rose early on the 2nd:- Busy fixing at various jobs.

Began, on the 3rd, and continued, on the 4th, taking stock of Goods on Hand, for the end of the year:- Elder Fivinagon of Igenja church came, on one of these days, seeking employment with me. Also, Owembongani & Edoviza, seeking work. I engaged the latter two immediately; and they went to work, on the 4th. Also, agreed to employ Fivinaon, when I should come from Gabon:- On Thursday 5th, went to Asange (Njoli post), to settle accounts with Mr Cockshut (H. & C.), who has taken the place of Mr. Wheeler: a long time to settle; for, Mr. Wheeler had not kept accts accurately:- Mr Beddoes, of Holt, was sick, with scurvy of the gums:- On the 6th & 7th, busy gathering clothing and supplies, for the journey to [illegible] and Gabon; and arranging

for the work and food of those who are
to remain at the Station.
On the 8th, only 2 or 3 Fan at church, in
the morning. But, there were many at
Sab. Sch. Nje, from Njomu, had come,
on his way up river, to get trust
from me for Orupaw. Also, about
5. P.M., came people from Mawyeni's
town, to sell igumsa, which they kept
till next morning.
Monday Dec. 9th } Very busy early, on the
Tuesday " 10th } 9th, buying the plantains
Wed.y " 11th } of Nje, & igumsa
~~that~~ came yesterday,
and giving trust of carpenter's tools,
to Nje :- Gave Nkala his year's reserve
of money :- Put goods into Abumba's
hands, for his use, during my ab-
sence at Gabun :- Loaded up the
canoe for Abumba, & my boat.
Also, a Kongongo, from Njoli, ~~to~~
& was going empty, took some
furniture for Sister Bella.
Started at 11. A.M., with a crew of
6, and with her Gasita's wife, and Jamie H.,
and Mary, and Iga. :- Stopped, on the
way down, at Njomu, & Bejinan's,-

at Mr. Whittaker's:- Signs of a coming storm; but, it blew by, without rain. At Agonjo's; Abambo and the Kangongo paddled on, going all night.

On the 10th went on, and reached Kângwe, by 4. P.M.:- Messrs Allegret, Gacon, & Teisseres, all at the Factories. A long time getting my things to the Hill:- At night, there was rain:- On the 11th, went to Holt's, and got Bella's ward-robe and some of the boxes; ate there. Tired, on my return; and annoyed with Abiringo (Ogula's assistant) for taking & using one of our brass kettles: Also, suspected that some one had been taking of my tins of milk. Rebuked him at night:- Went to bed with a head-ache, and anxious for the morrow.